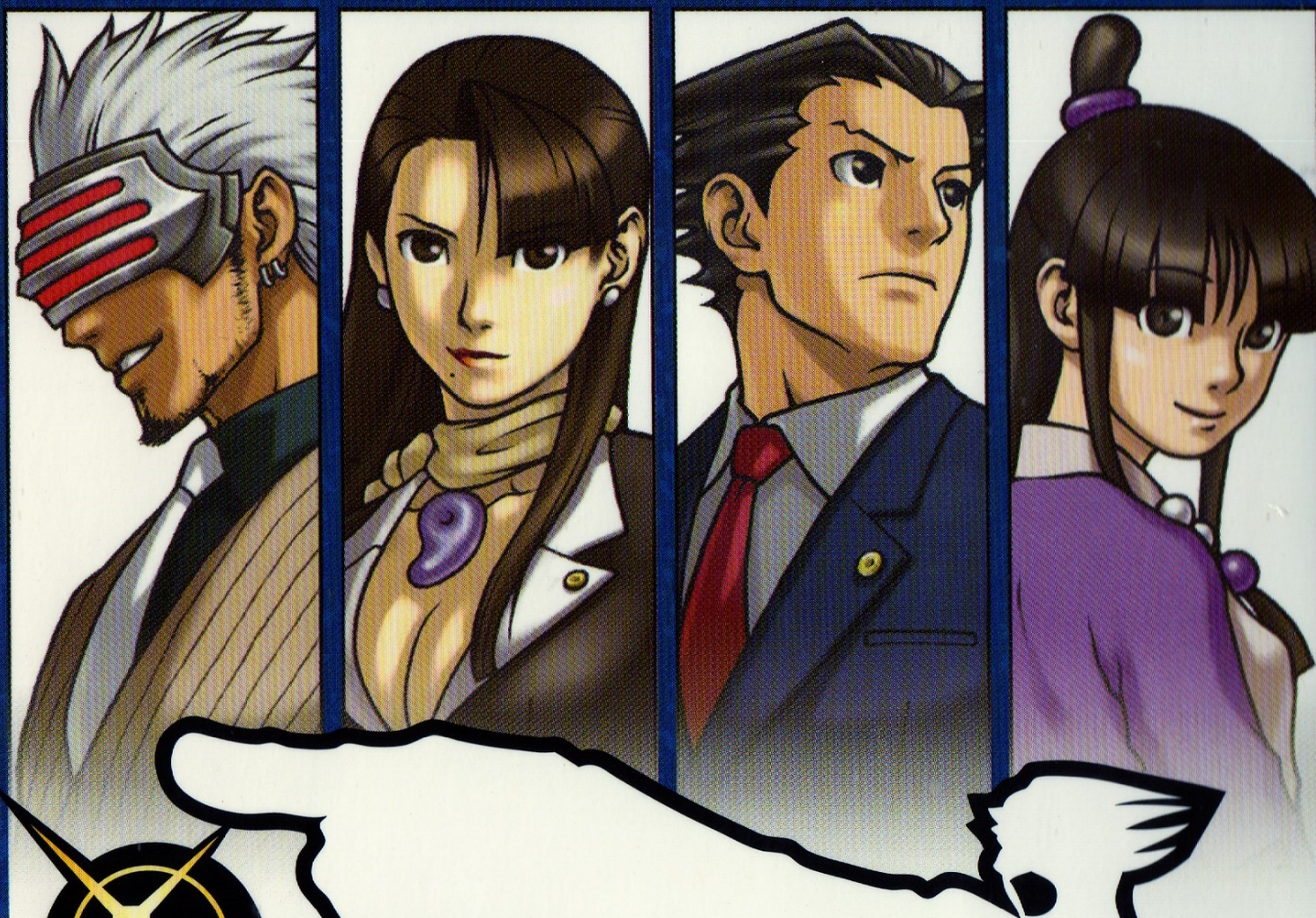


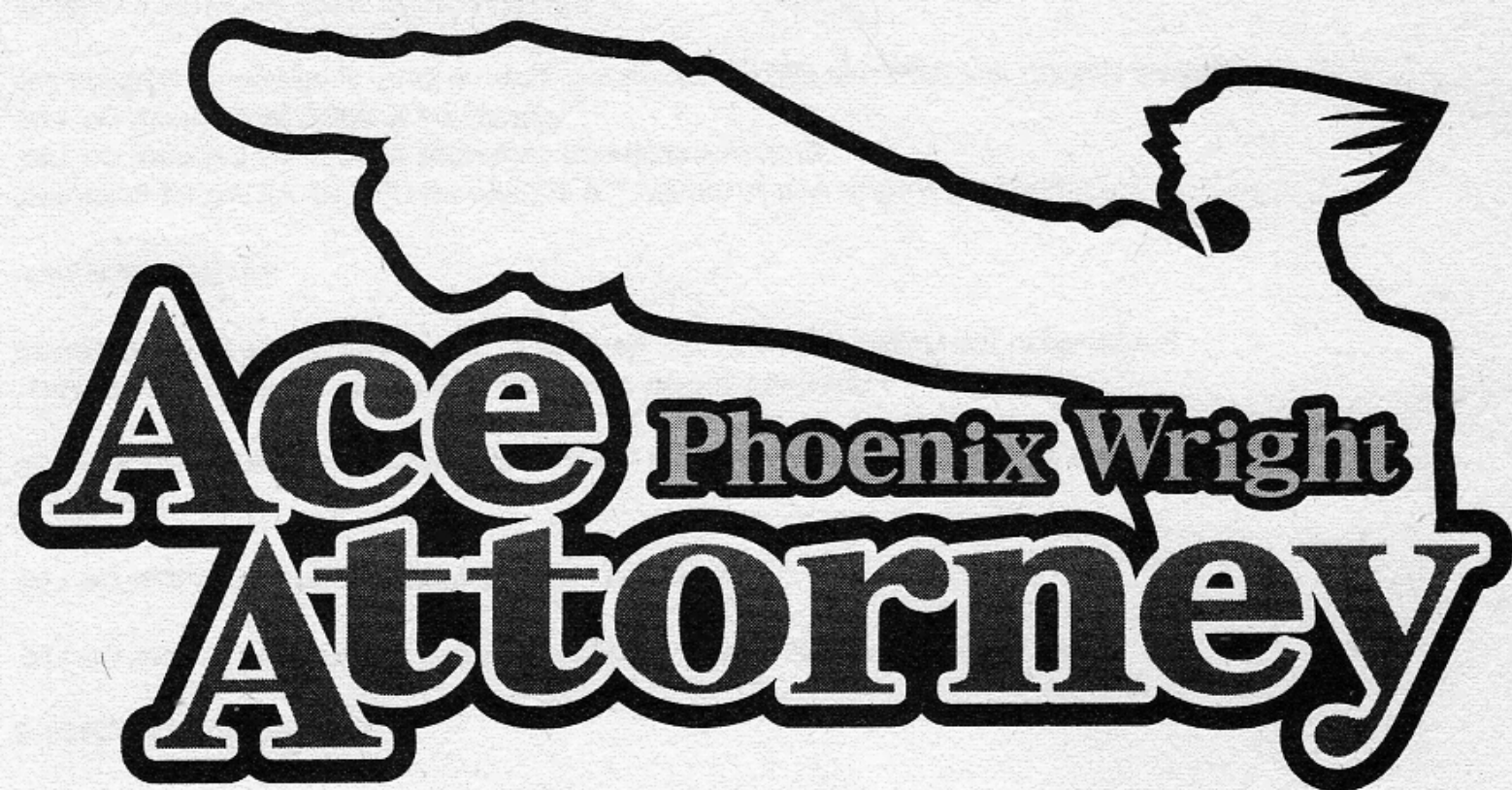
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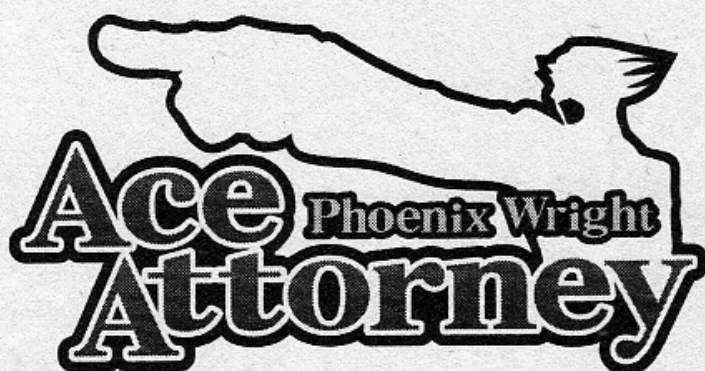
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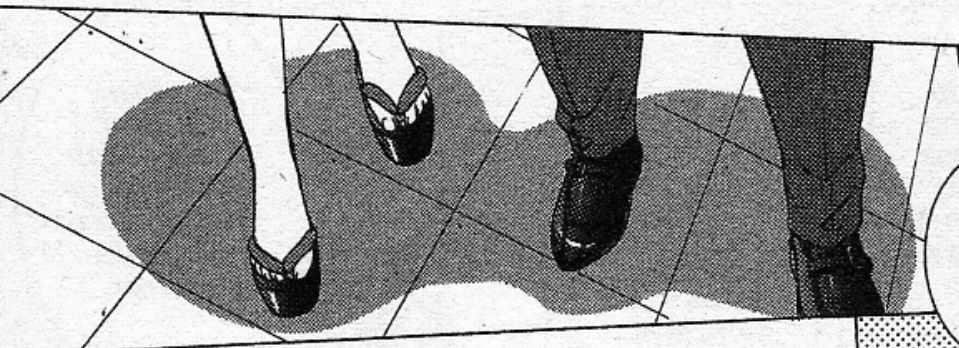


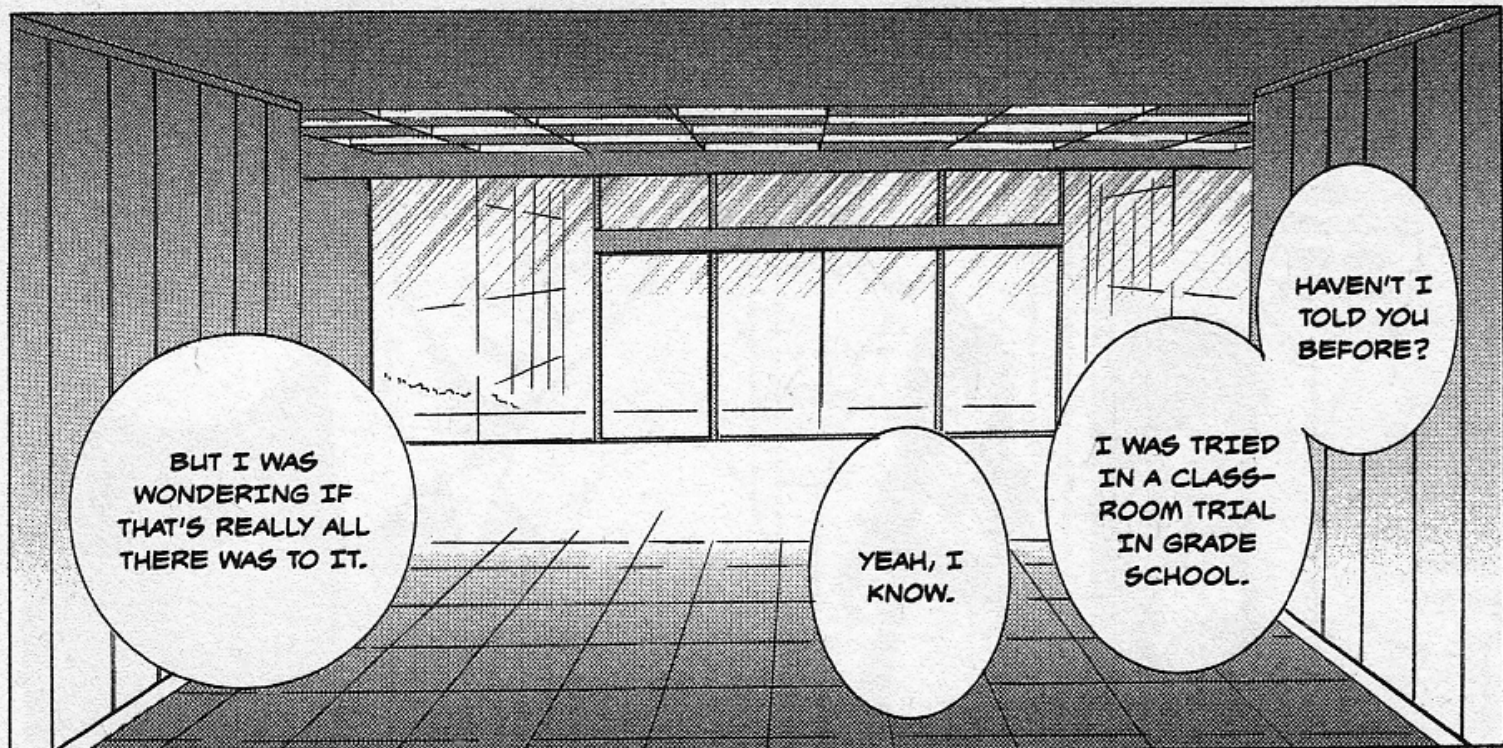
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PROGRESS TOWARD TOMORROW
BY TAMAKO YAMAUCHI







BUT I WAS
WONDERING IF
THAT'S REALLY ALL
THERE WAS TO IT.

YEAH, I
KNOW.

I WAS TRIED
IN A CLASS-
ROOM TRIAL
IN GRADE
SCHOOL.

HAVEN'T I
TOLD YOU
BEFORE?



I WANNA BE
A PILOT!

I THINK IT'S
IMPORTANT TO
HAVE DREAMS
WHEN YOU'RE
LITTLE. BUT THEY
DON'T ALWAYS
WORK OUT.

BECAUSE IF
YOU DON'T
WANT IT BADLY
ENOUGH, AND
YOU DON'T
WORK HARD
ENOUGH...

ORDINARY
BUSINESSMAN

YOUR
DREAMS FOR
THE FUTURE
DON'T COME
TRUE.



IT JUST
SEEMS KIND
OF FISHY...

FISHY
...

HEH
HEH
HEH...

AM I THAT
UNRELIABLE
...?



I MEAN,
IT'S NOT
LIKE YOU'VE
GOT A LOT OF
TALENT, LIKE
MR. EDGE-
WORTH.

OR LIKE
ANYONE IN
YOUR FAMILY
IS A LAWYER.



SO EVEN MAYA
THINKS ABOUT
HER FUTURE.

HUH.
I SEE.

I GOT THE
IDEA FROM
MY SISTER.
THERE'S NO
WAY I COULD
HAVE THOUGHT
OF IT ON MY
OWN.



AND, IN MY
CASE, DREAMS
HAD NOTHING
TO DO WITH IT.

YOU
THINK OF
SOME DEEP
QUESTIONS.



I REALLY
CAN'T THINK
OF ANYTHING.

HMM

SO IS THERE
ANYTHING?

LIKE A REASON
OR SOMETHING?



BUT ONCE I
WAS ALONE,
I STARTED
THINKING
ABOUT IT
AGAIN, AND
IT REALLY
GOT TO ME.

I'M ALWAYS
WINNING BY
THE SKIN OF MY
TEETH. MAYBE I
WASN'T CUT OUT
TO BE A LAWYER
AFTER ALL.



SEE
YOU
LATER!
BYE!

TAKE
CARE.

AWW, THAT'S
BORING.

I'M GOING
BACK HOME.

I'LL
MISS
MY
TRAIN.

HA HA
HA...

AT THE TIME, I
DIDN'T THINK
ABOUT HER
QUESTION ALL
THAT MUCH.



AND THEN
THEY
HELPED
ME.



WHEN I WAS
PUT ON TRIAL
IN SCHOOL...

ACK!
BRIGHT!

NO ONE
BELIEVED ME.
I WAS ALONE
AND HELPLESS.



STOP
CRYING.
BE A
MAN!

I'M
SORRY.

I WAS SO
GRATEFUL
TO THEM, I
WANTED TO
REPAY THEM
SOMEDAY.



EVEN IN
COLLEGE, I
THOUGHT I
WOULD BE AN
ARTIST. I DIDN'T
THINK FOR A
SECOND ABOUT
STUDYING TO BE
A LAWYER.

STOP
60
9.11

OH,
YEAH!
IT WAS
THAT
ARTICLE.



AND...

I'VE
BEEN ABLE
TO REPAY
MY DEBT BY
DEFENDING
BOTH OF
THEM IN
COURT.

BUT THAT'S NOT
REALLY WHY
I BECAME A
LAWYER.

I HADN'T SEEN
HIM IN YEARS.
THE GROWN-UP
EDGEWORTH
WAS IN THE
NEWS...

BUT FOR SOME
REASON HE
LOOKED SO SAD.

I SAW
THAT ARTICLE
ABOUT EDGE-
WORTH BEING
THE YOUNGEST
MAN TO
BECOME A
PROSECUTING
ATTORNEY.



I GOT THE FEELING
THAT HE WAS, FROM
INSIDE THE PICTURE,
ASKING ME FOR HELP.



THAT I
WOULD HELP
EDGEWORTH!

I'M
SUCH A
SIMPLE-
TON.

IT WAS
ALL JUST
SO I COULD
HELP OUT A
FRIEND.



YEAH!

THAT'S
WHEN I
DECIDED...

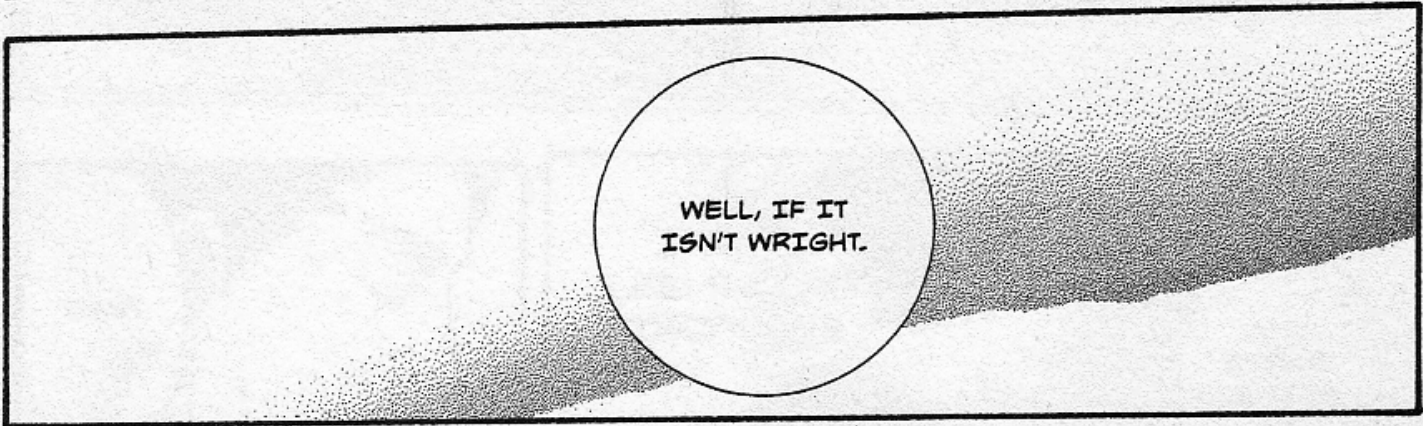
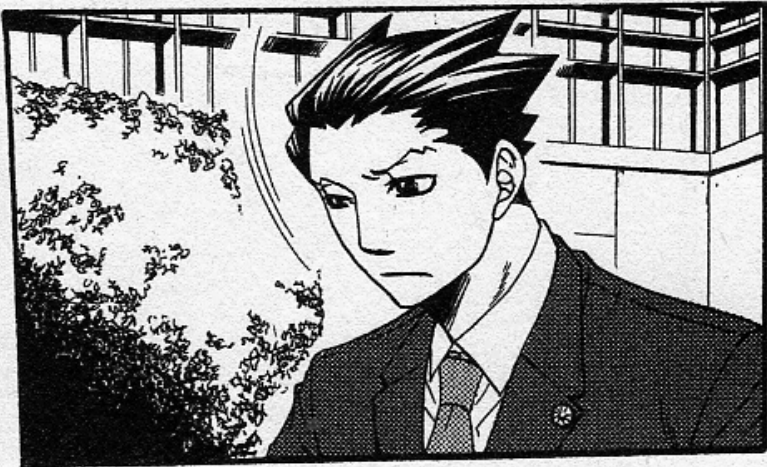




NOW... I FEEL EVEN
MORE LIKE I WASN'T
REALLY CUT OUT TO
BE A LAWYER.



AND THEN
I BECAME
A DEFENSE
ATTORNEY.



WELL, IF IT
ISN'T WRIGHT.

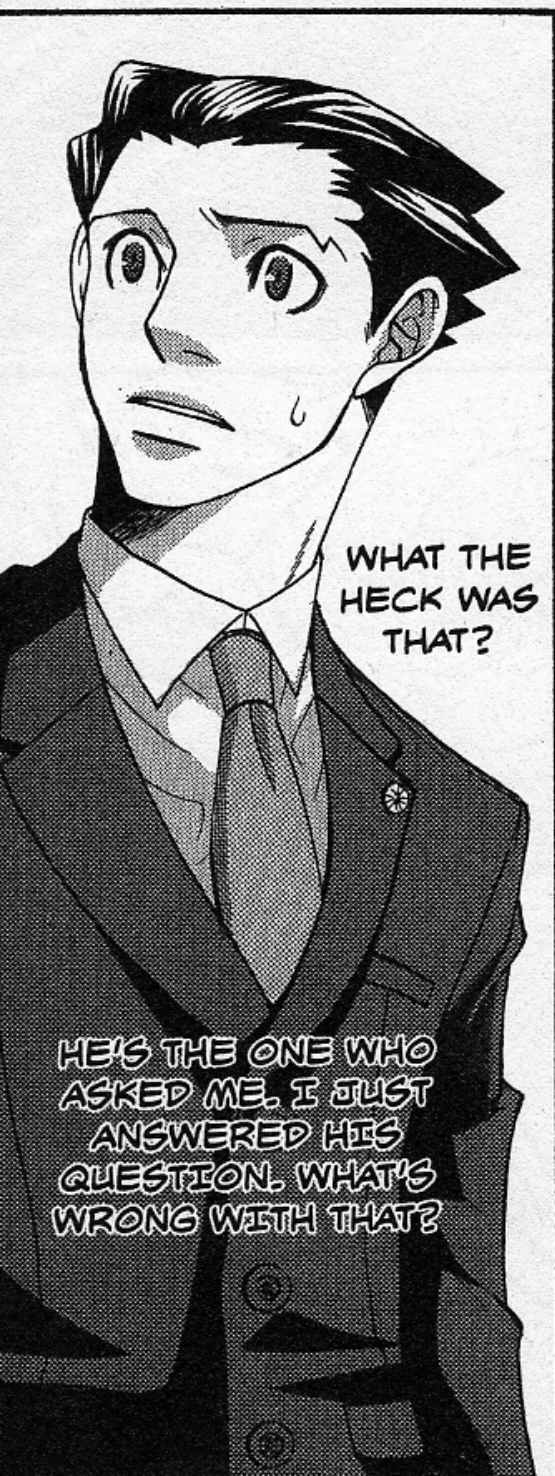


WHAT A
COINCIDENCE,
MEETING YOU
HERE.

AH...
...







HE
DIDN'T...

KNOW
WHAT I WAS
THINKING
EARLIER,
DID HE...?

MAYBE HE
KNOWS
SOMETHING
I DON'T?

WAIT A
SECOND...

DASH



AFTER YOU
GET YOUR
PAPERS,
COULD I
HAVE A FEW
MOMENTS OF
YOUR TIME?

HEY!
EDGE-
WORTH!



GIVE
ME A
MINUTE.

VERY
WELL.

WRIGHT & CO. LAW OFFICES

SORRY FOR
BRINGING
YOU ALL
THIS WAY.

THAT'S
ALL
RIGHT.

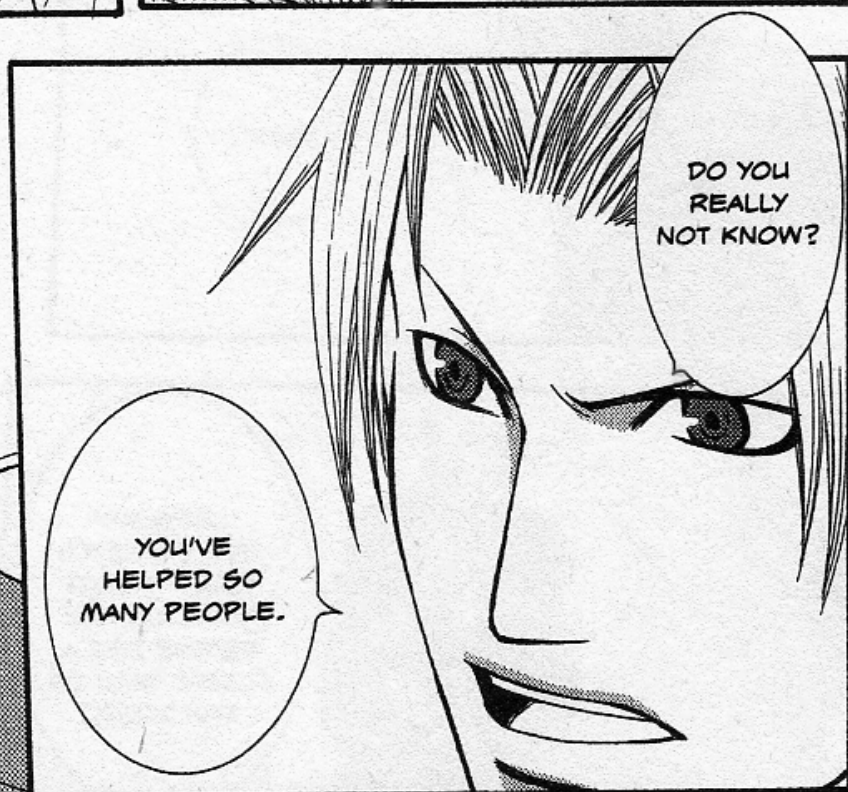
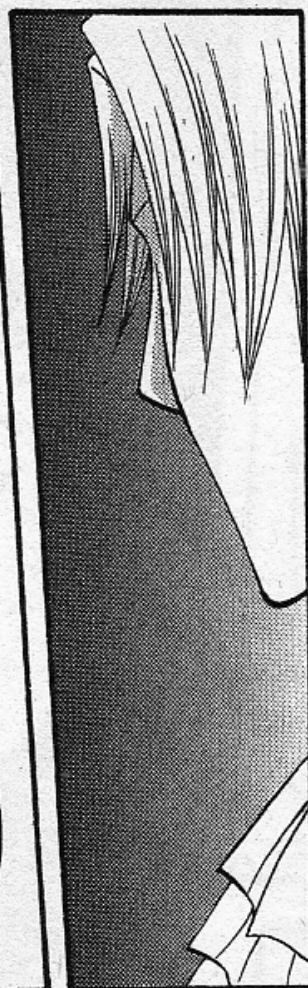
IT WOULDN'T
DO FOR A
PROSECUTOR
AND A DEFENSE
ATTORNEY TO
SPEAK OF
PRIVATE MAT-
TERS AT THE
COURTHOUSE,
AFTER ALL.

THEN...
DO YOU
HAVE SOME
BUSINESS
WITH ME?

UM,
EDGE-
WORTH.

WHY DID YOU
DECIDE TO
BECOME A
PROSECUTING
ATTORNEY?

?





LET ME ASK YOU A QUESTION.

SMOOTH

THEN TELL ME YOUR ANSWER.



WHAT?



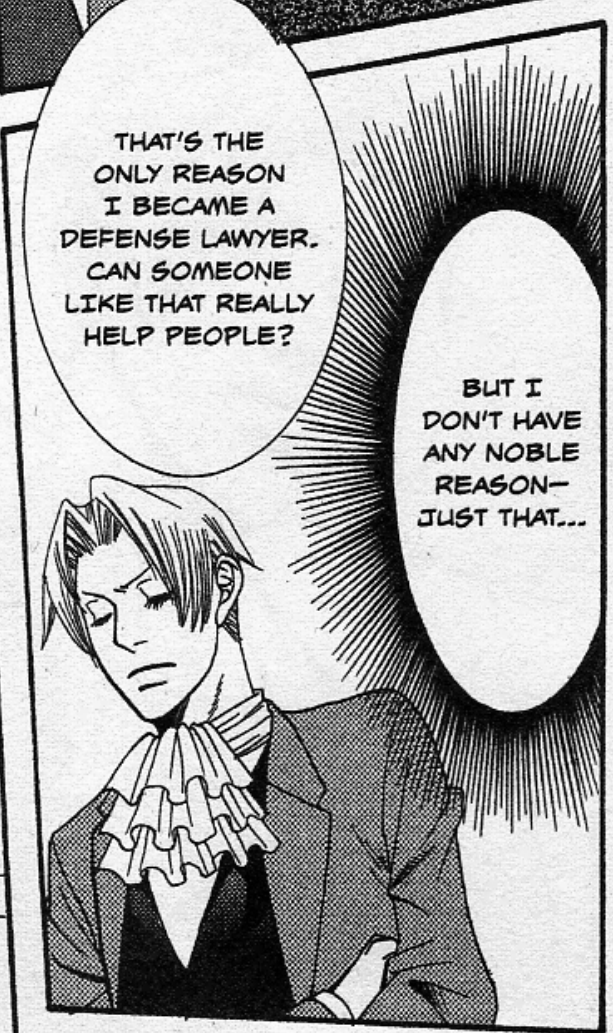
LET'S SAY THAT WE'RE IN COURT RIGHT NOW. YOU ARE DEFENDING A CLIENT WHO IS INNOCENT.

YOUR CLIENT IS GIVING A FALSE TESTIMONY IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE REAL CRIMINAL.



THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT I WANT TO HELP OTHERS.

IN MY CASE, I JUST WANTED TO SAVE MY FRIENDS.



THAT'S THE ONLY REASON I BECAME A DEFENSE LAWYER. CAN SOMEONE LIKE THAT REALLY HELP PEOPLE?

BUT I DON'T HAVE ANY NOBLE REASON—JUST THAT...



WHY?

WOULD YOU
EXPOSE
THEIR LIE?

DO YOU
THINK YOU'RE
HELPING THEM
BY FORCING
THEM TO EXPOSE
WHAT THEY'RE
HIDING?

BECAUSE
THAT'S HOW I
DO THINGS, OF
COURSE!

YES.

STILL!

RATHER, THE
CLIENT MAY
BE HURT. THEY
MIGHT HOLD IT
AGAINST YOU.



THEY
WON'T
REALLY
SAVE
ANYONE!



THOSE
LIES ARE
ONLY HURT-
ING BOTH
PARTIES!



I THOUGHT
YOU WOULD
SAY THAT.



YOU
REALLY
CAN HELP
PEOPLE.

WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN...?




I MAY
THINK I'M
SAVING
THEM,

BUT I DON'T
KNOW IF I
ACTUALLY AM!


HOW
CAN YOU
BE SO
SURE?

YOU
BELIEVE IN
YOUR CLIENTS.
YOU WORK HARD
TO REVEAL THE
TRUTH. THUS
HELPING THEM.

THAT'S
GOOD
ENOUGH.



YOU DO IT
NATURALLY,
WITHOUT
THINKING, SO
YOU HAVEN'T
REALIZED.




YOU SAVED
ME BY DOING
THINGS YOUR
WAY.

DON'T YOU
THINK THAT'S
FINE EVI-
DENCE?




AND I
JUST
DIDN'T
KNOW
IT.

IN ACTUALITY,
THEY MIGHT
REALLY HATE
ME.



AND IT'S THE
SAME WITH
YOUR OTHER
CLIENTS.



I'M HAPPY
TO HEAR
EDGEWORTH
SAY THAT. BUT
HE'S WRONG.

I
HAVEN'T
DONE
ANY-
THING.

THEY WERE
GRATEFUL,
WEREN'T
THEY?



I'M ALWAYS
GETTING HELP
FROM MIA, AND
YOU AND MAYA.



I AM A
PROSE-
CUTOR.

I WOULD
NEVER HELP
YOU.



BUT IT WAS YOU
WHO HAD THE
ABILITY TO MAKE
USE OF THOSE
LEADS AND COME
OUT VICTORIOUS,
WRIGHT.

YES, I MAY
HAVE GIVEN
YOU SOME
LEADS.

YOU WERE
ABLE TO SAVE
YOUR CLIENTS
BECAUSE YOU
ARE WHO YOU
ARE.



I'M ALWAYS
JUST BARELY
SCRAPING BY!
AND I'M A
DEFENSE
LAWYER!?

IT'S
RIDICU-
LOUS.

DON'T YOU
THINK YOU'VE
MISSED
SOMETHING?



WHERE'S
YOUR CONFIDENCE?

I DON'T KNOW
WHAT HAS YOU
SO CONFUSED.



THE PHOENIX
WRIGHT I KNOW...

...IS, WITHOUT
A DOUBT, A TRUE
DEFENSE ATTORNEY.



AND I
MAY NOT BE
RELIABLE.

I MAY
NOT BE VERY
LAWYER-LIKE,

THE NEXT TIME
WE MEET IN
COURT, I WILL
SHOW YOU NO
MERCY.

BUT IF I CAN
HELP PEOPLE BY
DOING THINGS MY
WAY, THAT'S GOOD
ENOUGH.

I HOPE YOU'LL
BE READY,
PHOENIX
WRIGHT.


BECAUSE THAT IS
THE PATH I MUST
FOLLOW.

I WOULDN'T
HAVE IT ANY
OTHER WAY!


END

THE GRASS IS ALWAYS GREENER.





MS. VON
KARMA WAS
AS RELENT-
LESS AS
ALWAYS.




EVERY TIME
I OBJECTED,
SHE BROUGHT
THE WHIP DOWN
ON ME.

YEAH.

TURNABOUT INFERENCE BY KEI NISEMURA



WHEW!
ANOTHER
EXHAUSTING
TRIAL!



EXCUSE
ME. ARE YOU
MR. PHOENIX
WRIGHT, THE
DEFENSE
ATTORNEY?



...



I'M TRYSTA
PARSONS. I
WRITE FOR
A MAGA-
ZINE.

I'M
TERRIBLY
SORRY TO
BOTHER YOU
WHEN YOU
MUST BE SO
BUSY.

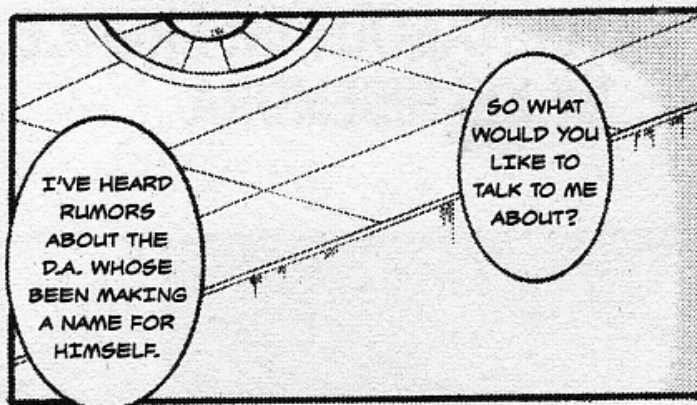
OFFER



OH. A
REPORTER?



WE'D
LOVE
TO DO
IT!!



I'VE HEARD
RUMORS
ABOUT THE
D.A. WHOSE
BEEN MAKING
A NAME FOR
HIMSELF.

SO WHAT
WOULD YOU
LIKE TO
TALK TO ME
ABOUT?

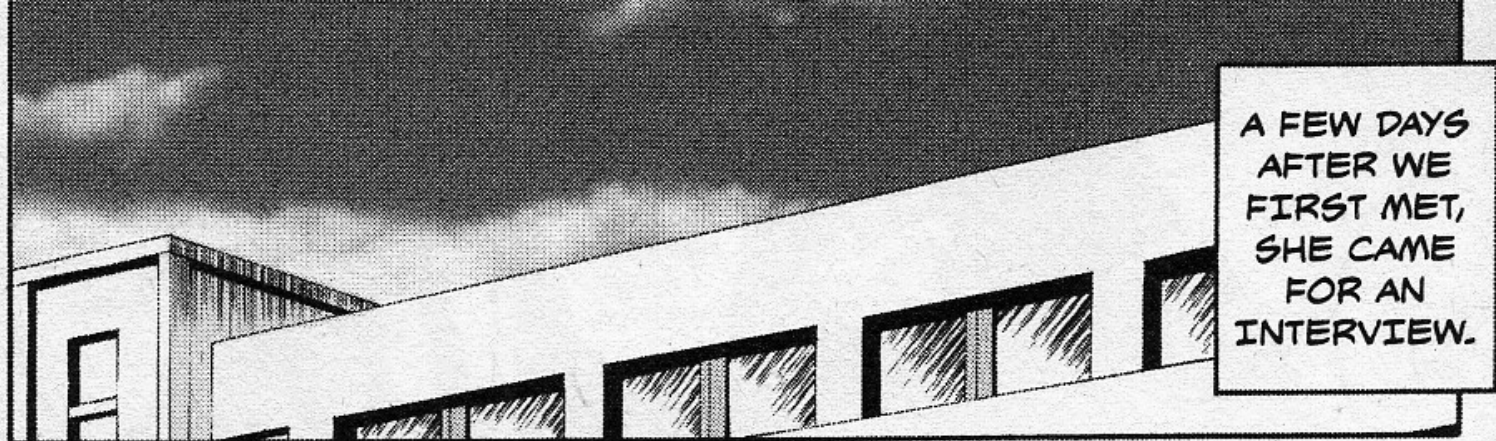


I WOULD
LIKE VERY
MUCH TO DO
A FEATURE
ON YOU, MR.
WRIGHT.



YES!!
WE'RE
LOOKING
FORWARD
TO IT!!

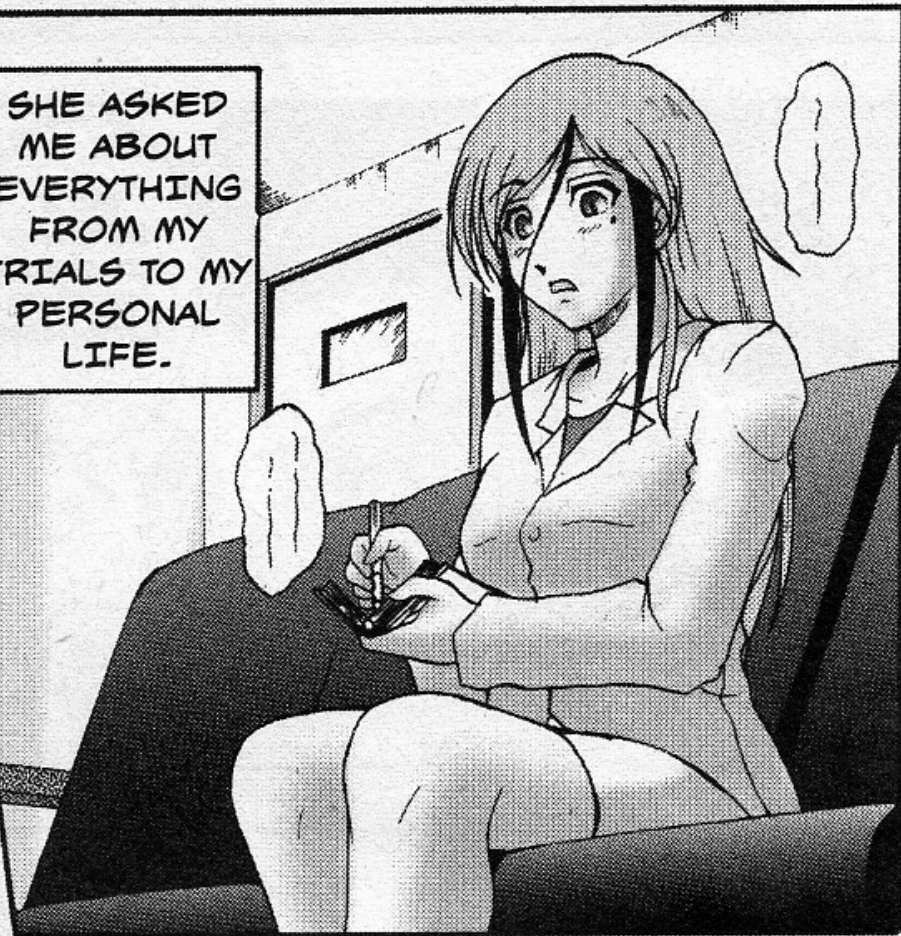
THEN
I'LL COME
SEE YOU
AGAIN.



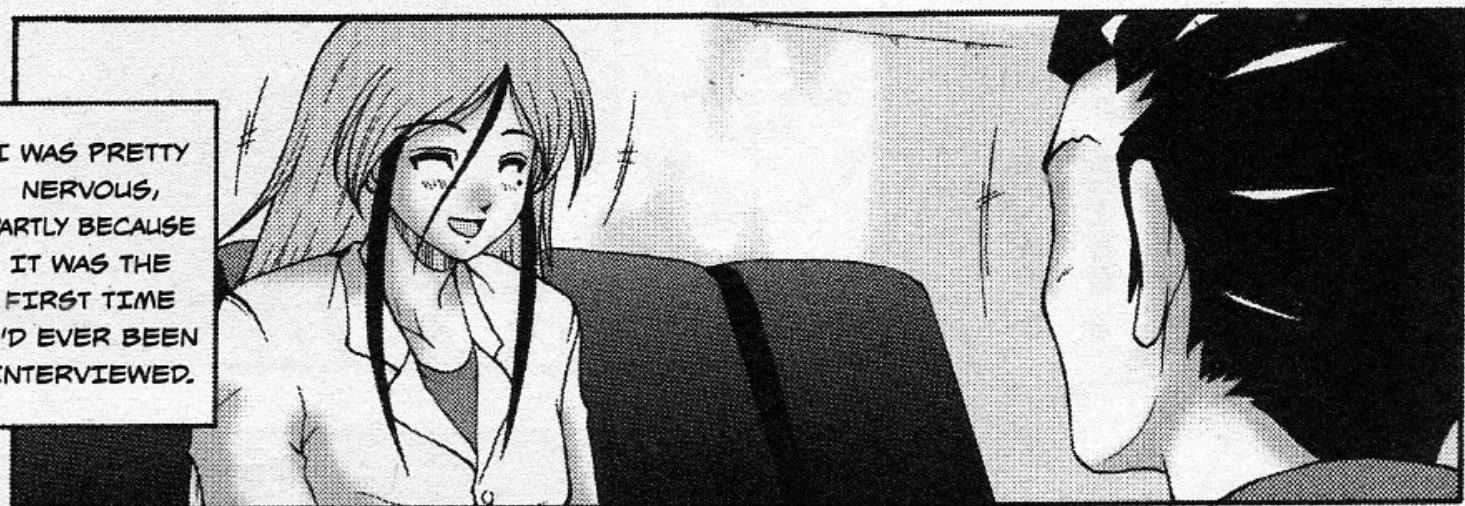
A FEW DAYS
AFTER WE
FIRST MET,
SHE CAME
FOR AN
INTERVIEW.



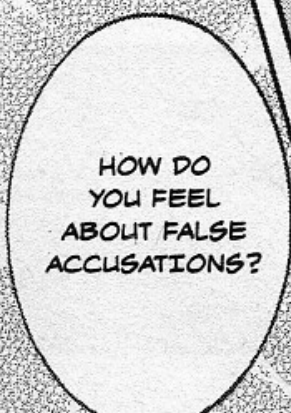
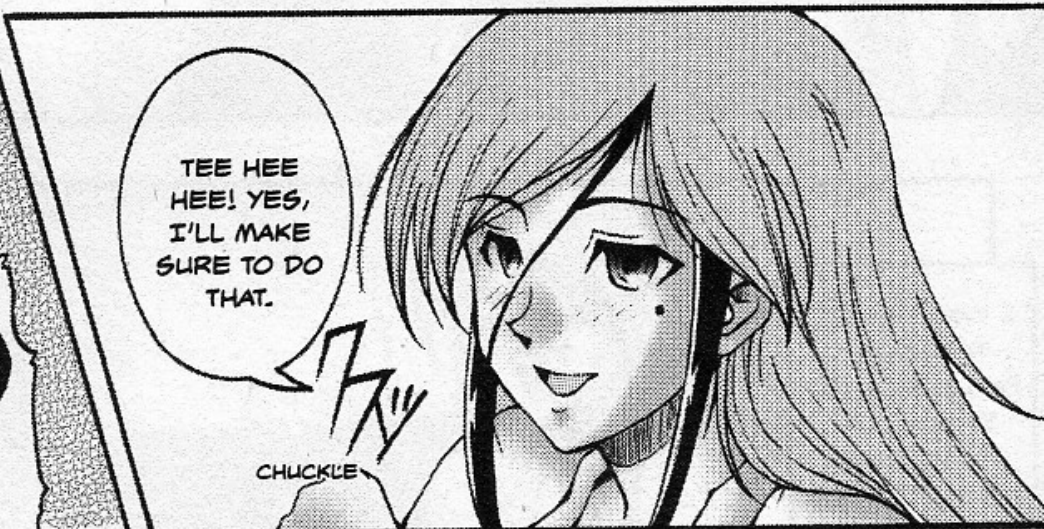
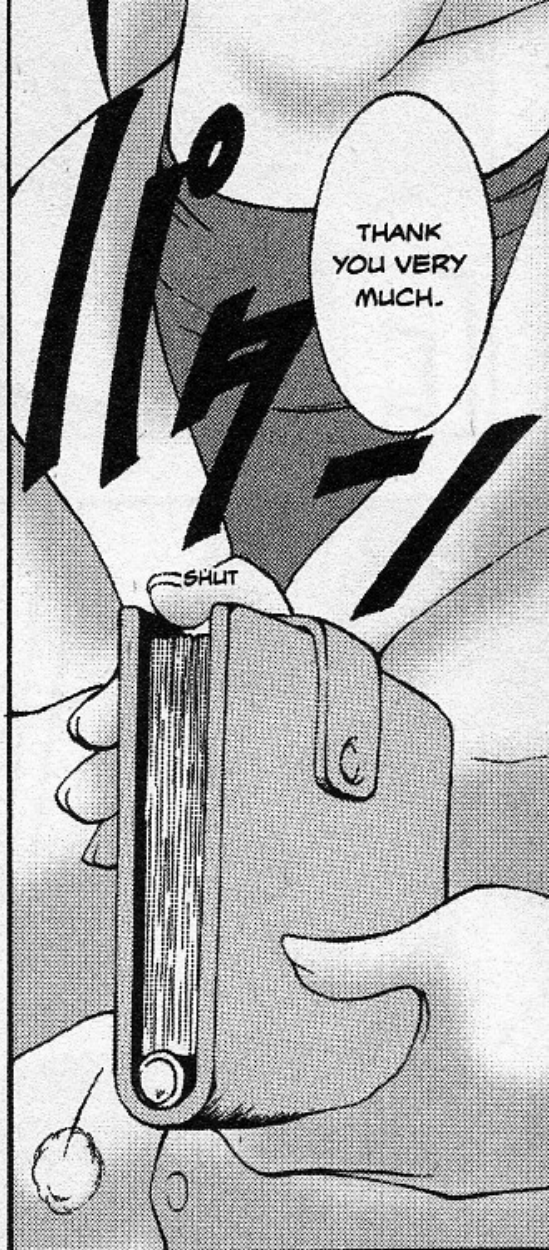
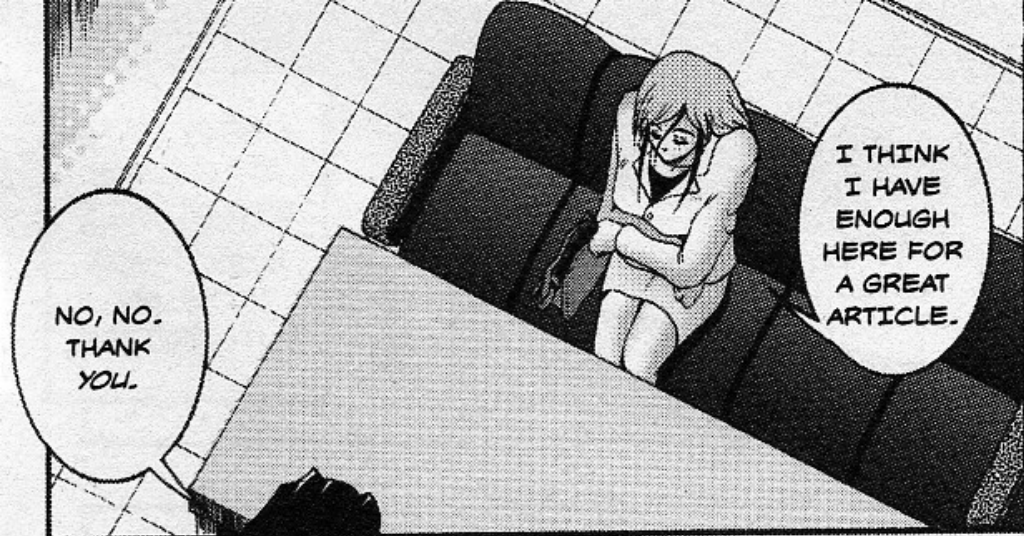
SHE ASKED
ME ABOUT
EVERYTHING
FROM MY
TRIALS TO MY
PERSONAL
LIFE.



I WAS PRETTY
NERVOUS,
PARTLY BECAUSE
IT WAS THE
FIRST TIME
I'D EVER BEEN
INTERVIEWED.



BUT,
LUCKILY, IT
WAS OVER
BEFORE I
KNEW IT.





IT'S MY
MISSION.



FALSE
ACCUSA-
TIONS
SHOULD
NEVER
HAPPEN!



I WANT
TO HELP
PEOPLE
WHO ARE
HURT BY
FALSE
ACCUSA-
TIONS!




I SEE.
THAT'S
WONDERFUL.



TAKE A
LOOK AT
THIS,
PLEASE.

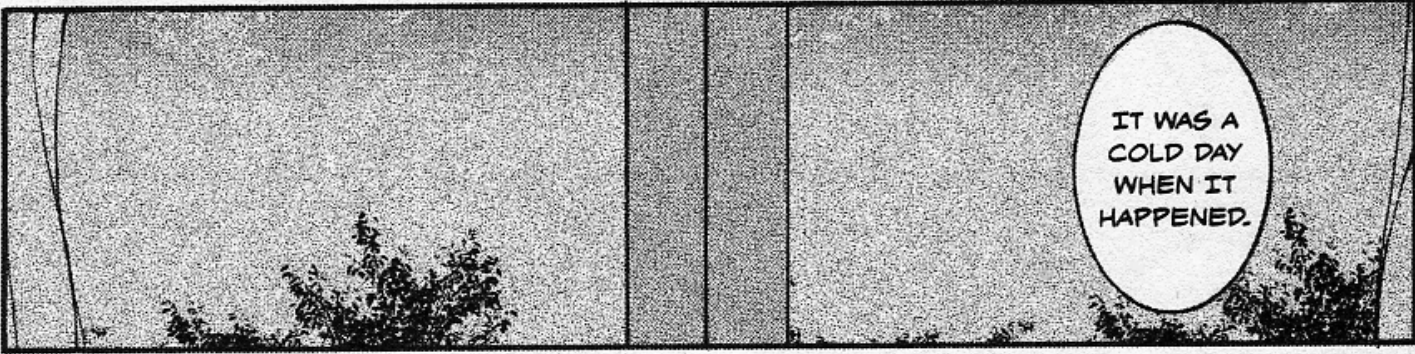


ACTUALLY,
THERE'S
THIS CASE
I RECENTLY
COVERED...

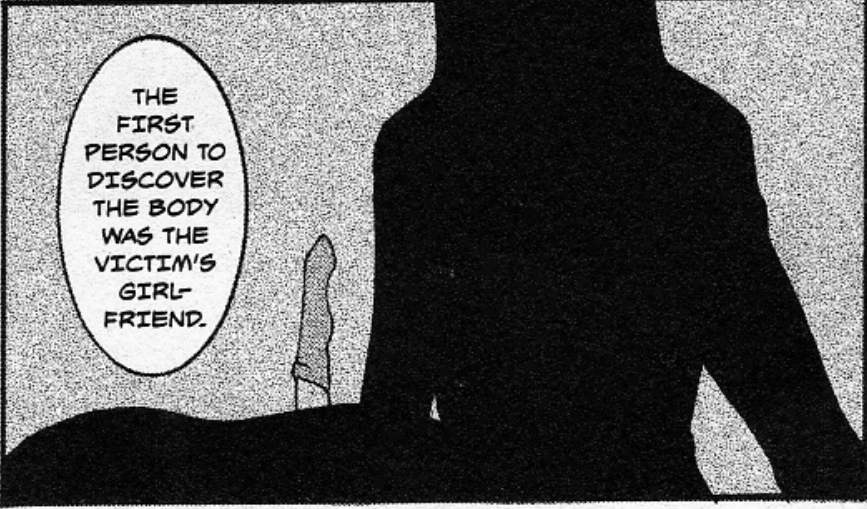


BUT THERE
WAS A
SUSPICION
OF FALSE
CHARGES.

THE
CASE IS
A FEW
YEARS
OLD.



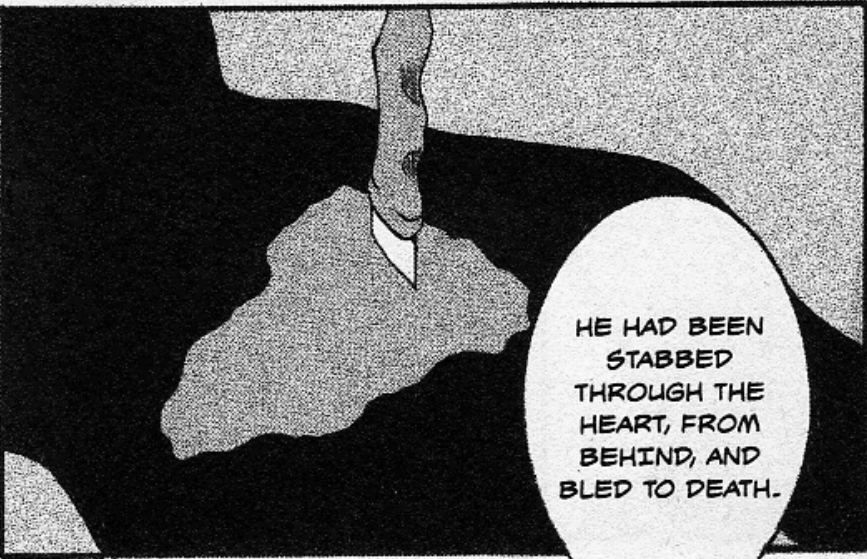
IT WAS A
COLD DAY
WHEN IT
HAPPENED.



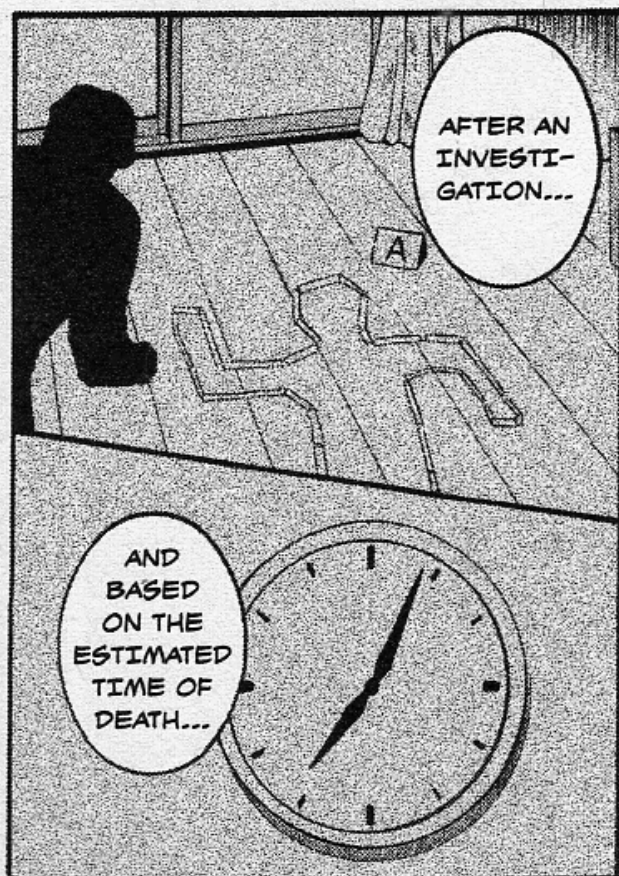
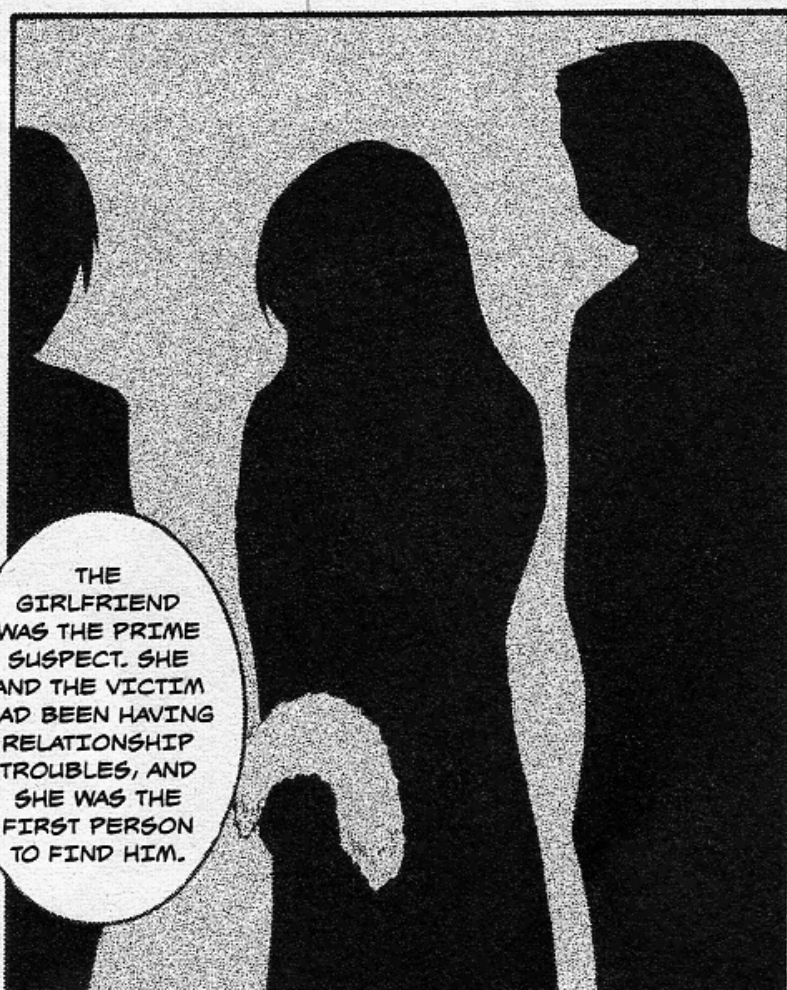
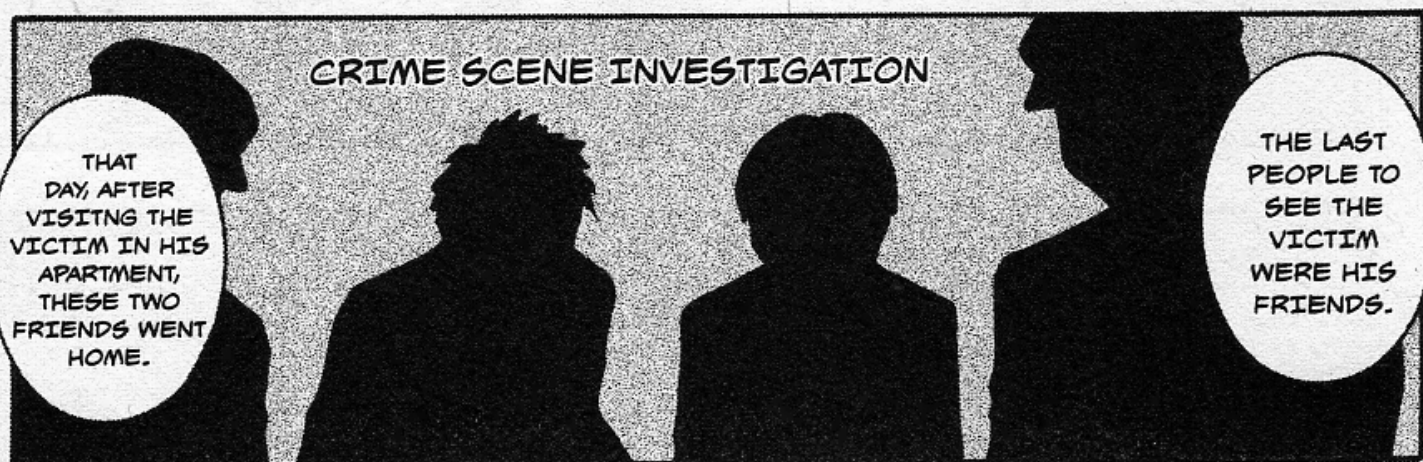
THE
FIRST
PERSON TO
DISCOVER
THE BODY
WAS THE
VICTIM'S
GIRL-
FRIEND.



A MAN WAS
FOUND
STABBED TO
DEATH IN HIS
APARTMENT.



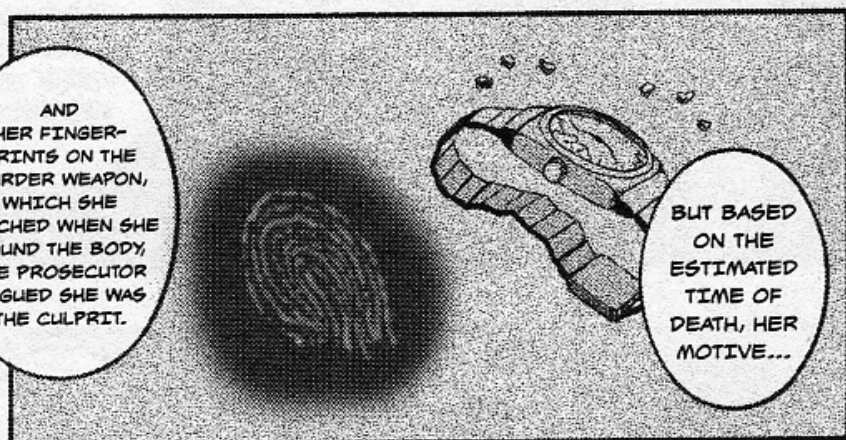
HE HAD BEEN
STABBED
THROUGH THE
HEART, FROM
BEHIND, AND
BLED TO DEATH.





AND WHY
WAS THERE
SUSPICION
OF FALSE
CHARGES?

THE SUSPECT
CLAIMED SHE
WAS INNO-
CENT...

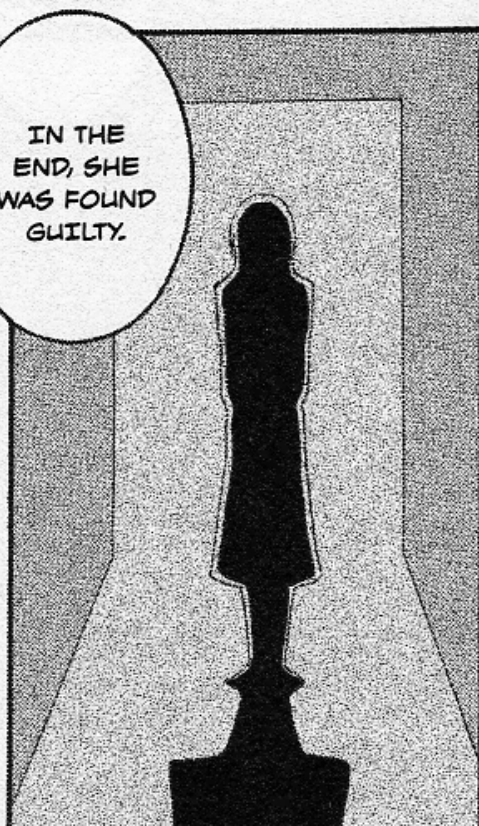


AND
HER FINGER-
PRINTS ON THE
MURDER WEAPON,
WHICH SHE
TOUCHED WHEN SHE
FOUND THE BODY,
THE PROSECUTOR
ARGUED SHE WAS
THE CULPRIT.

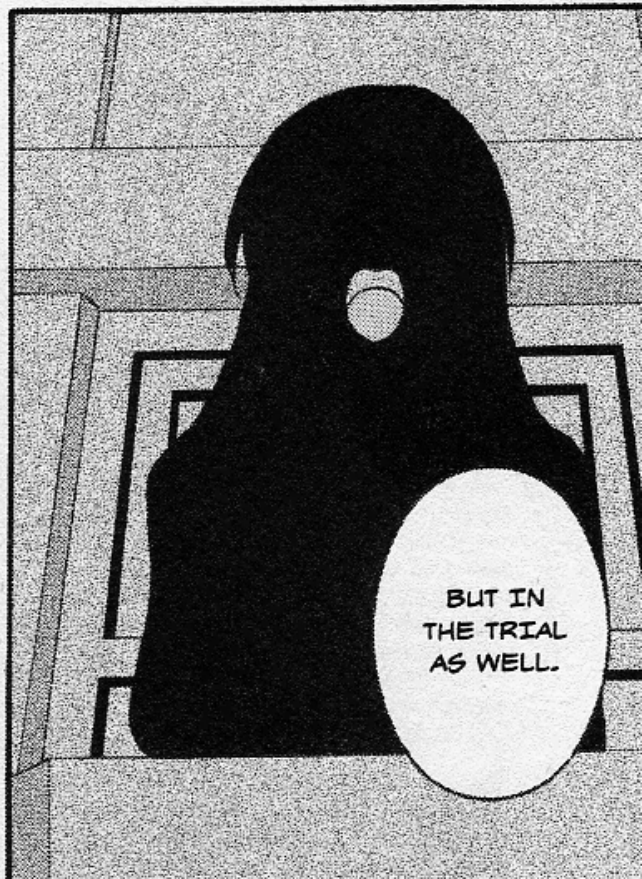
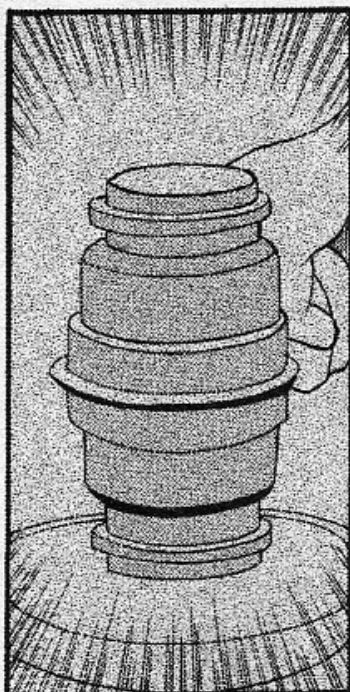
BUT BASED
ON THE
ESTIMATED
TIME OF
DEATH, HER
MOTIVE...



NOT ONLY
DURING
QUESTION-
ING



IN THE
END, SHE
WAS FOUND
GUILTY.



BUT IN
THE TRIAL
AS WELL.



WHAT
HAPPENED
TO HER?

WH...



I
HEARD
THAT...


AFTER A
YEAR IN
PRISON,
SHE TOOK
HER OWN
LIFE.




...



BUT WHY
DID YOU
TELL US
ABOUT
THIS
CASE?



I WANTED TO
KNOW IF MR.
WRIGHT WOULD
HAVE BEEN ABLE
TO TURN THE
CASE AROUND.



BECAUSE
...

Hold it!

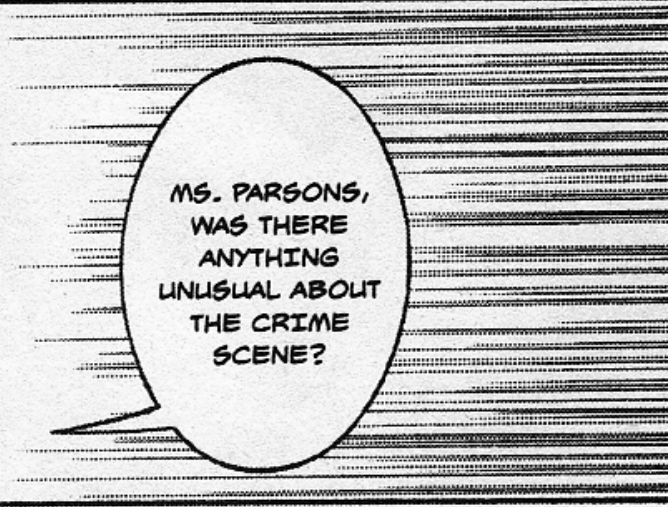


I'M
SORRY
FOR
BRINGING
IT UP.

LET'S
STOP
TALKING
ABOUT
TH...



MS. PARSONS,
WAS THERE
ANYTHING
UNUSUAL ABOUT
THE CRIME
SCENE?



THERE WAS
ALMOST NO
EVIDENCE OF
A STRUGGLE...
EXCEPT THAT THE
VICTIM'S WATCH
WAS BROKEN.



J-JUST A
MINUTE.

WHAT!?







BUT MY
HUNCH IS
THAT THE
KILLER...

N-NICK,
DO YOU
KNOW
WHO THE
KILLER
IS!?

...IS ONE
OF THOSE
LAST TWO
PEOPLE TO
HAVE SEEN
THE VICTIM!

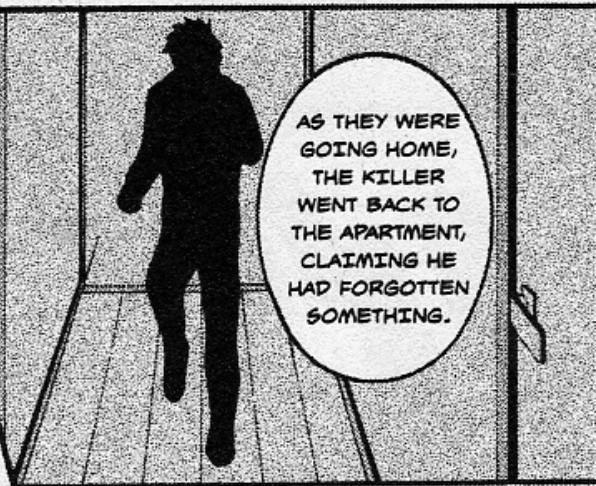
WHAT!?



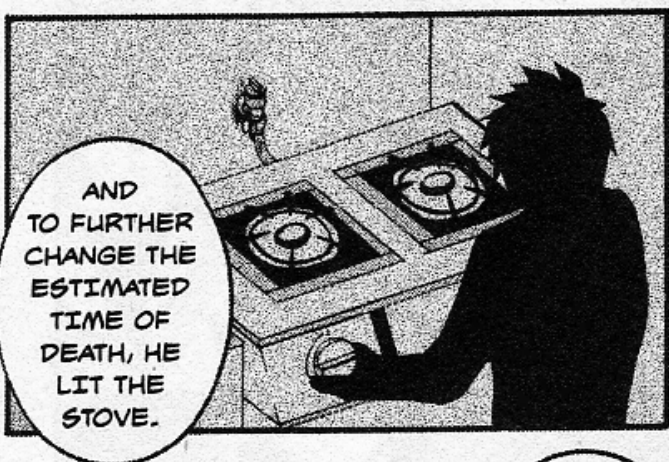
WELL AT
THIS POINT,
I CAN ONLY
GUESS,
BUT...



THEN, HE
STABBED THE
VICTIM...



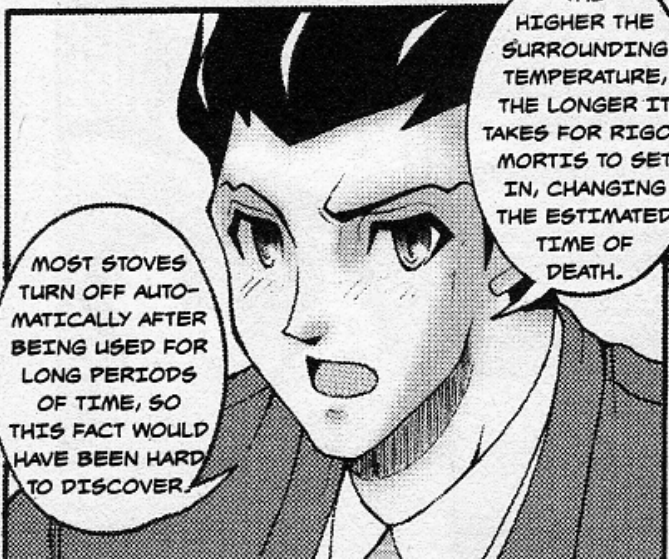
AS THEY WERE
GOING HOME,
THE KILLER
WENT BACK TO
THE APARTMENT,
CLAIMING HE
HAD FORGOTTEN
SOMETHING.



AND
TO FURTHER
CHANGE THE
ESTIMATED
TIME OF
DEATH, HE
LIT THE
STOVE.



HE
SET THE
WATCH
AHEAD AND
BROKE
IT.



THE
HIGHER THE
SURROUNDING
TEMPERATURE,
THE LONGER IT
TAKES FOR RIGOR
MORTIS TO SET
IN, CHANGING
THE ESTIMATED
TIME OF
DEATH.

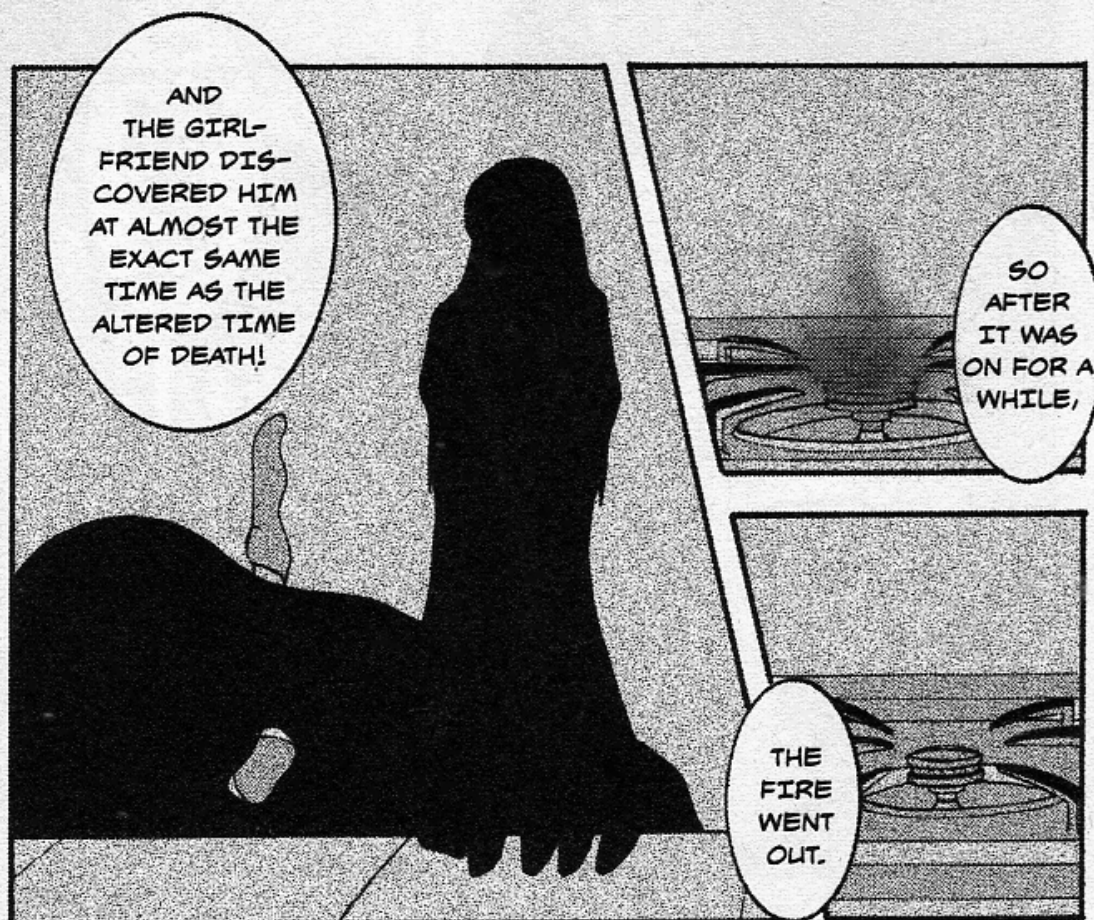
MOST STOVES
TURN OFF AUTO-
MATICALLY AFTER
BEING USED FOR
LONG PERIODS
OF TIME, SO
THIS FACT WOULD
HAVE BEEN HARD
TO DISCOVER.



AND TO
CHANGE THE
TIME OF THE
DEATH...



ANYWAY,
I THINK
THAT'S WHAT
HAPPENED.



AND
THE GIRL-
FRIEND DIS-
COVERED HIM
AT ALMOST THE
EXACT SAME
TIME AS THE
ALTERED TIME
OF DEATH!

SO
AFTER
IT WAS
ON FOR A
WHILE,

THE
FIRE
WENT
OUT.



...THAT
DOESN'T
CHANGE THE
FACT THAT
I COULDN'T
HELP HER.



WOOOW!!
NICK, YOU
ARE TRULY
AMAZING!!!



I'D
LIKE TO
SPEAK
TO THE
POLICE
ABOUT
THIS.



MS.
PARSONS?

UM,
YES?



BUT...



I HAVE
TO TURN
THIS CASE
AROUND!!



FOR
THE SAKE
OF THE
WOMAN
WHO
DIED
TRAGI-
CALLY...

THIS CASE
ISN'T OVER
YET!!



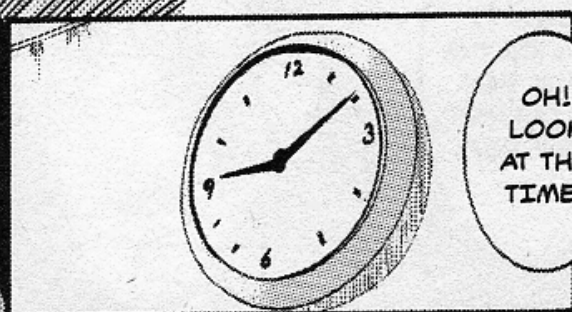
THANK
YOU VERY
MUCH.

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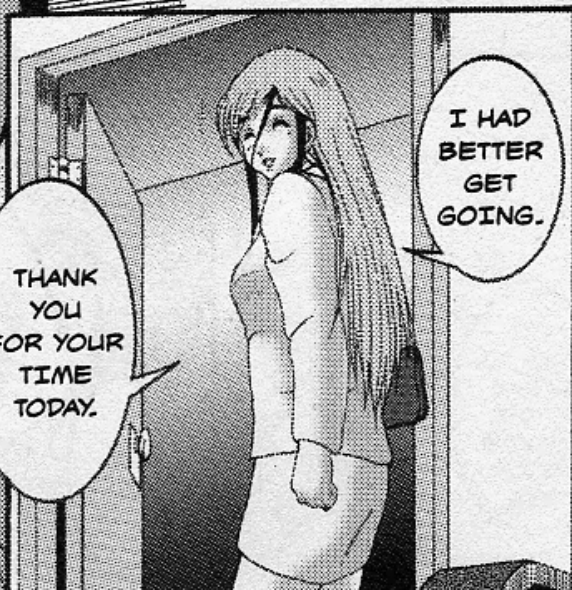


NO,
THANK
YOU!

I HOPE
WE CAN
MEET
AGAIN.



OH!
LOOK
AT THE
TIME.



I HAD
BETTER
GET
GOING.

THANK
YOU
FOR YOUR
TIME
TODAY.



I GOT THE RECORDS FOR THAT CASE, SO I THOUGHT I'D GIVE YOU A SPECIAL LOOK AT 'EM!!

WOW, THANKS!



HEY!!
YOU!!

OH, DETECTIVE GUM-SHOE.

PERFECT TIMING, PAL!!



A FEW DAYS LATER...



OH, NO.



WHAT'S THE MATTER, PAL!?



LET'S SEE. HERE'S A PHOTO OF THE GIRL-FRIEND...



IT'S NOTHING.



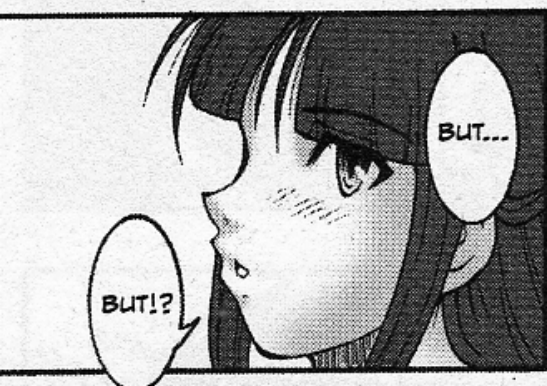
HMM. I
DON'T
KNOW
EITHER.



HMM,
SO IT
WAS
HER.

SHE
ENDED UP
COMING
TO YOU,
NICK?

I
WONDER
WHY...



BUT...

BUT!?

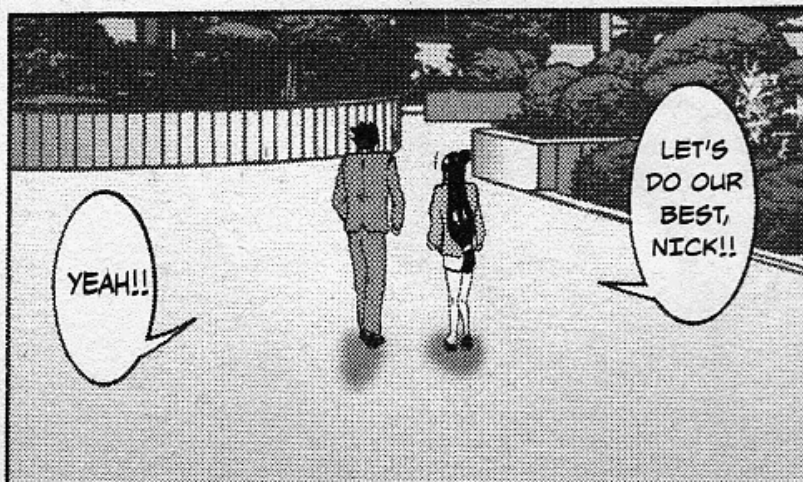


WHAT I
HAVE TO DO
IS DEFEND
PEOPLE WITH
ALL I'VE GOT...

SO THAT
THERE WILL
NEVER BE
ANOTHER
VICTIM LIKE
HER!!

SOME
TIME LATER,
THE TRUE
KILLER WAS
ARRESTED,
AND THE
CASE WAS
SOLVED.

END

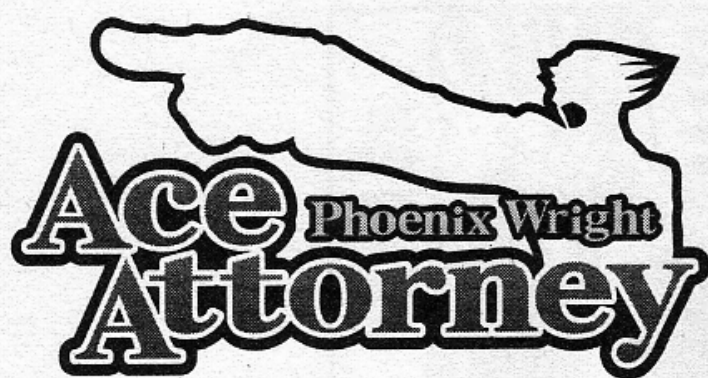
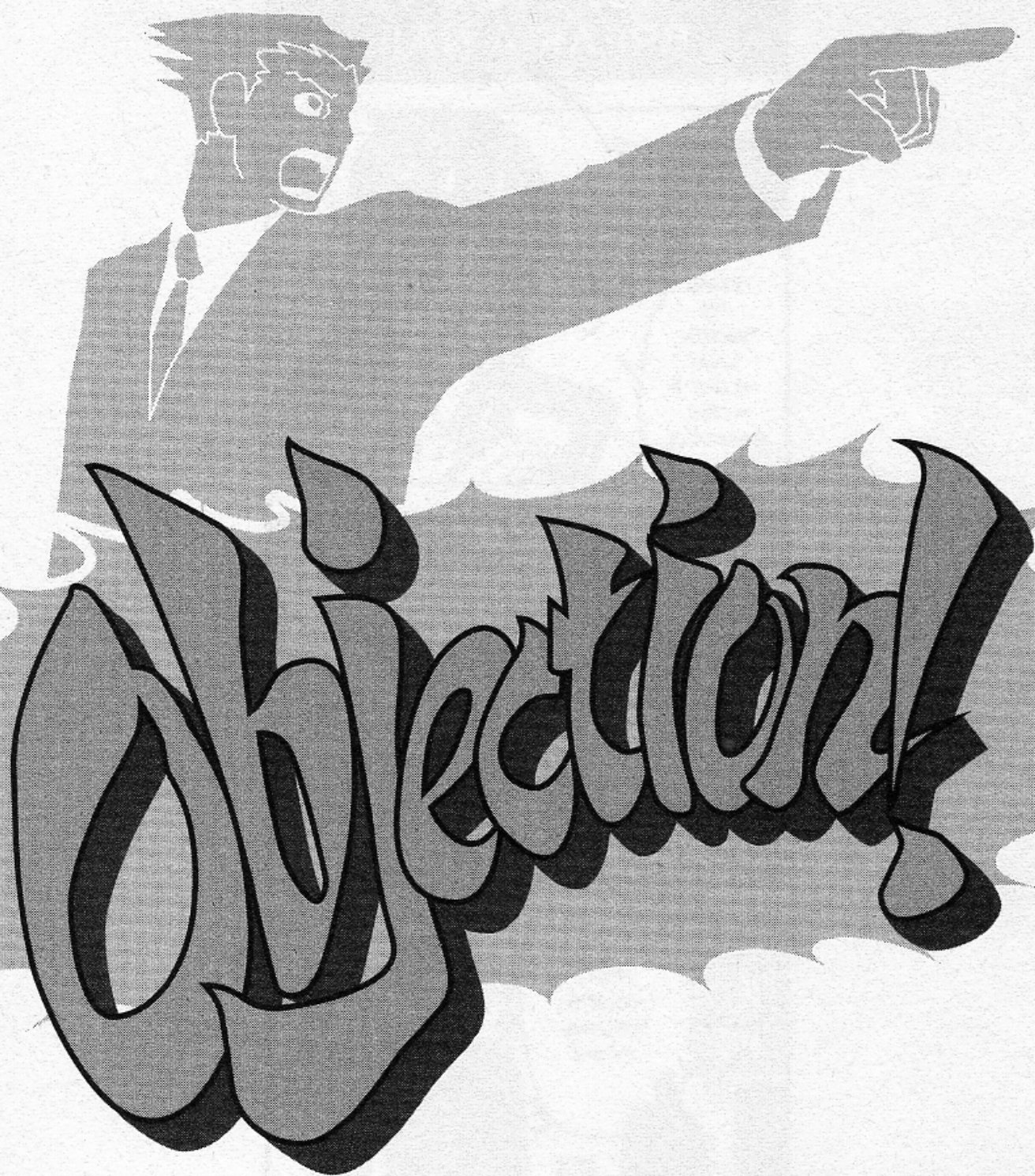


YEAH!!

LET'S
DO OUR
BEST,
NICK!!



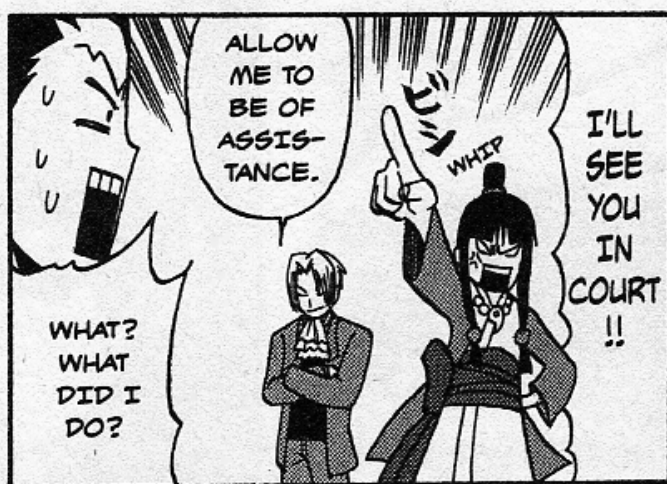
YEAH!
YOU'RE
RIGHT!



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I HOPE I DON'T BREAK A NAIL






TURNABOUT ILLUSIONS
BY SEVENTH GEAR




OKAY!
EVERYONE WHO
NEEDS A LAWYER,
PLEASE LINE UP
RIGHT HERE!!



YOU'VE GOTTEN
SO FAMOUS,
PEOPLE LINE
UP TO HAVE
YOU DEFEND
THEM!

NICK!
THERE'S A
MILLION
PEOPLE
OUT
THERE!!




SURE PEOPLE
ARE LINING
UP, BUT...

DEAD




THEY MAY BE
CLIENTS, BUT
I CAN'T WORK
WITH THEM.





UNLIKE *SOME* PEOPLE, PEARLS CAN TAKE CARE OF HERSELF. SHE'LL BE FINE.

PEARLY SURE HAS BEEN DISAPPEARING A LOT LATELY.



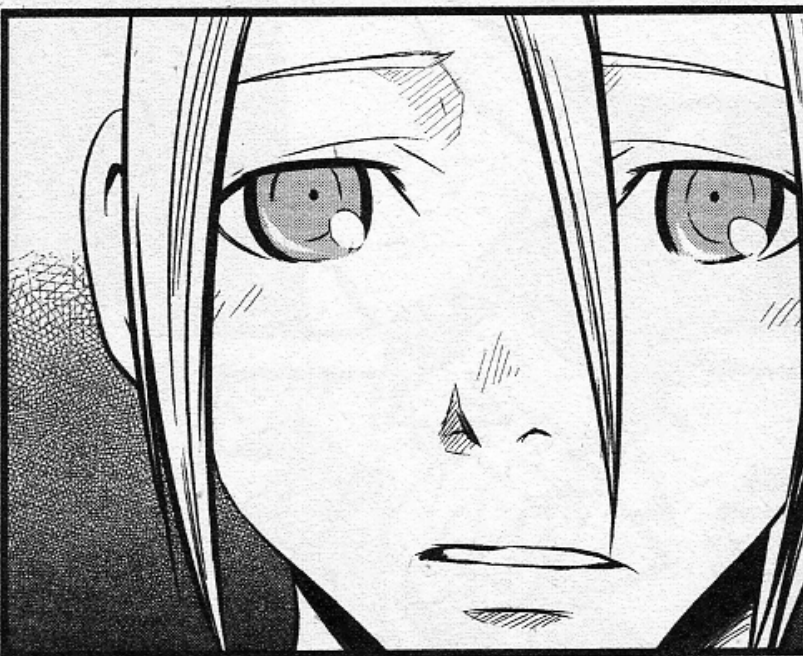
HUH? I HAVEN'T SEEN HER.

NICK, DO YOU KNOW WHERE PEARLY IS?



EXCUSE ME...

WHO DO YOU MEAN BY "SOME PEOPLE"!!?



MAY I... SPEAK WITH YOU FOR A MOMENT?



MAYA PICKED UP SOME STRANGE HABITS FROM THAT RESTAURANT JOB.

YES, YES! TABLE FOR ONE!!

I...

SO WHAT
ARE YOU
HERE TO
DISCUSS?

I'M SO
SORRY!!

下座

GROVEL

SKID!

MY NAME IS IAN
KNOTTWORTHY. I'M
A STUDENT.

UH, UM...
YOU DON'T
HAVE TO
APOLO-
GIZE...

ANYWAY,
LET'S HEAR
YOUR STORY.

BUT NO
MATTER WHAT I
DO, I CAN'T GET
HER ATTENTION.
I'VE TRIED
ALL KINDS OF
THINGS. BUT
THE MINUTE I
FINALLY GOT
HER TO NOTICE,
SHE TOLD ME
SHE'D SUE!

ACTUALLY, THERE'S
SOMEONE WHO'S BEEN
ON MY MIND. I'VE BEEN
WATCHING HER FOR A
LONG TIME.



BUT...

THERE'S
NOTHING WE
CAN DO IF
THIS WOMAN
THINKS
YOU'RE AN
ANNOYANCE.

STALK-
ING?

IN OTHER
WORDS, SHE
THOUGHT YOU
WERE STALK-
ING HER.



I GOT
THIS
PHOTO OF
HER THE
OTHER DAY.

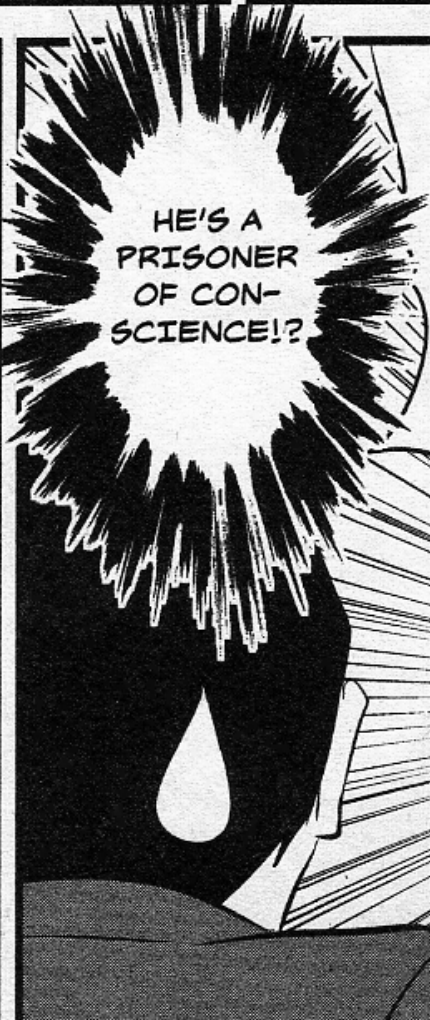
ANYWAY,
WHO IS THE
WOMAN THAT
YOU'VE LOST
YOUR HEART
TO...?

SLIDE



HE'S A
PRISONER
OF CON-
SCIENCE!?

I'M ONLY WATCHING OVER HER
EVERY DAY TO SEE WHAT SHE EATS
AND WHAT SHE'S WEARING AND IF
SHE'S SEPARATING HER TRASH
PROPERLY BECAUSE I'M WORRIED
ABOUT HER!





WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!? SHE MAY BE A LITTLE OLDER, BUT DON'T YOU THINK SHE'S A CHARMING WOMAN!?

ARE YOU... SURE THIS ISN'T A MISTAKE OF SOME SORT?

WE'LL TALK MORE AFTER THAT.

FIRST, I'LL ASK DETECTIVE GUMSHOE IF A COMPLAINT HAS BEEN FILED.

I'D HATE TO THINK THAT THERE ARE TWO FACES LIKE THIS IN THE WORLD.

NICK, THIS *IS* OLDBAG, ISN'T IT?

WE HAVEN'T GOTTEN ANY, PAL..

A COMPLAINT FROM MS. OLDBAG?

I'M SO SORRY TO HAVE TROUBLED YOU!!

IT... IT'S NO PROBLEM. YOU DON'T HAVE TO KEEP APOLOGIZING!!



THAT IS
BECAUSE SHE
CAME DIRECTLY
TO ME INSTEAD.

THAT'S WEIRD.
YOU'D THINK
THAT OLDBAG
OF ALL PEOPLE
WOULD FILE A
COMPLAINT
IMMEDIATELY.

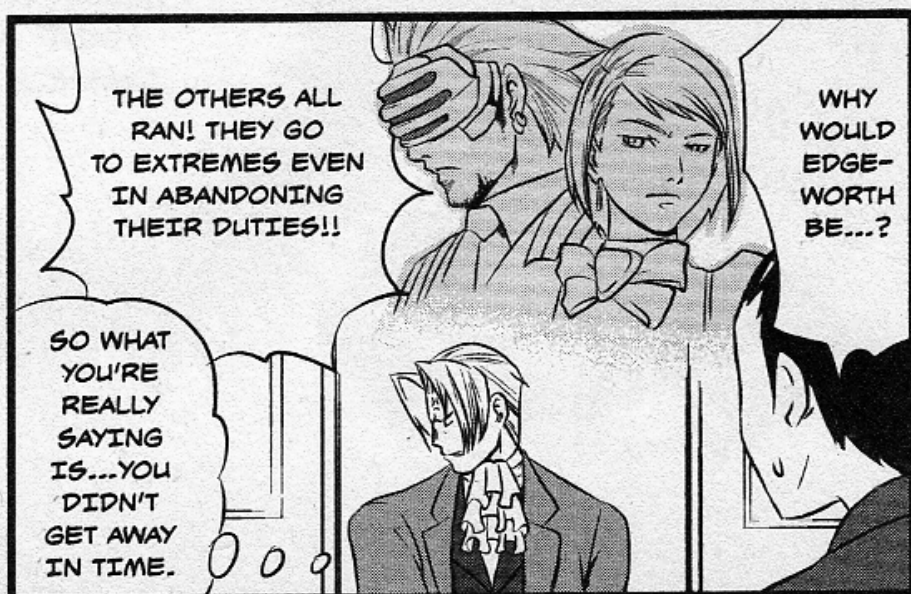


E...
EDGE-
WORTH!?

...AND MS.
OLDBAG!!



WENDOLYN
...



THE OTHERS ALL
RAN! THEY GO
TO EXTREMES EVEN
IN ABANDONING
THEIR DUTIES!!

WHY
WOULD
EDGE-
WORTH
BE...?

SO WHAT
YOU'RE
REALLY
SAYING
IS...YOU
DIDN'T
GET AWAY
IN TIME.

HONESTLY!! IT WOULD BE AN UNDERSTATEMENT TO SAY THAT YOU'RE A PEST. I DON'T HAVE TIME TO ALWAYS BE WORRIED ABOUT YOU! I CAN'T STAND TO LOOK AT YOU! IF YOU DON'T GET OUT OF MY SIGHT THIS INSTANT, I CAN'T GUARANTEE YOU WON'T GET HURT...



HMPH! I THOUGHT I HADN'T SEEN YOU IN A WHILE, BUT TO THINK YOU WERE STILL FOLLOWING ME AROUND!



WE'LL SETTLE THIS IN COURT!

IT'S POINT-LESS TO DISCUSS THIS ANY FURTHER.



I'M SORRY!!
IT'S ALL MY FAULT!
I'M SO SORRY!!
I'M SO SORRY!!

I-I DON'T THINK WE STAND A CHANCE.





BAM

IS THE
DEFENSE
READY?

COURT
IS NOW
IN SES-
SION.



I'M SO
SORRY!!



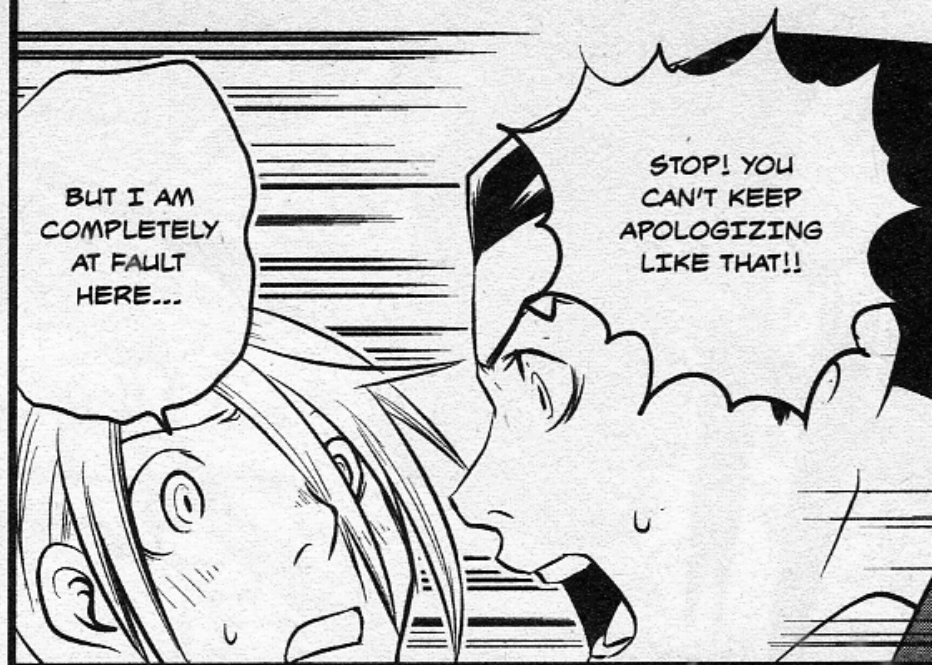
N-NO,
WAIT!!

SO...YOU
WOULD LIKE TO
START WITH A
CONFESSION?



A-HEM!!

WE HAVE TO FIND SOME WAY TO PROVE YOU'RE INNOCENT...



BUT I AM COMPLETELY AT FAULT HERE...

STOP! YOU CAN'T KEEP APOLOGIZING LIKE THAT!!



SHE SAID SHE HAD SOME ERRANDS TO RUN TODAY...

MAYA REALLY CAN'T STAND OLDBAG, EITHER.



WHAT?

COME TO THINK OF IT, WHERE IS THE GIRL THAT'S USUALLY WITH YOU?



LOOKS LIKE EDGEWORTH WANTS TO GET THIS OVER WITH ASAP, TOO.

ENOUGH IDLE BANTER. LET'S GET THIS STARTED.



I MEAN, I WOULD NEVER HAVE EVEN DREAMED THAT SOMEONE WOULD STILL BE AFTER ME AT MY AGE, YOU KNOW? MY FLING WITH THAT ONE MAN WAS OVER LONG AGO, AFTER ALL! I KNOW I'M CHARMING AND ALL, BUT TO CONSTANTLY BE FOLLOWED LIKE THAT, IT GIVES ME THE WILLIES...

WELL, I WAS PRETTY SURPRISED MYSELF, YOU KNOW!

BLAH

BLAH



I... I UNDER-
STAND! THAT'S
ENOUGH.

AND EVEN I
DESERVE A LITTLE
PRIVACY...



THE CIRCUM-
STANCES OF
THE CRIME
ARE WRITTEN
HERE, BUT I
WOULD LIKE TO
CLARIFY SOME
DETAILS...



MORE
THAN YOU CAN
IMAGINE.

NOW, DO
YOU HAVE ANY
QUESTIONS FOR
THE WITNESS?



BUT I
WANT TO
MAKE SURE
IT'S ACCU-
RATE...



WHAT IS
WRITTEN IN
THE REPORT
IS SUFFI-
CIENT.

WHAAA!?



APPARENTLY
HE NEVER
WANTS
TO HEAR
IT EVER
AGAIN...

THE STEAMY
OLDBAG PEEPING
INCIDENT

ARE YOU
INSANE!!? DO
YOU ACTUALLY
WANT TO HEAR
MS. OLDBAG
DESCRIBE IT
IN HER OWN
WORDS!?



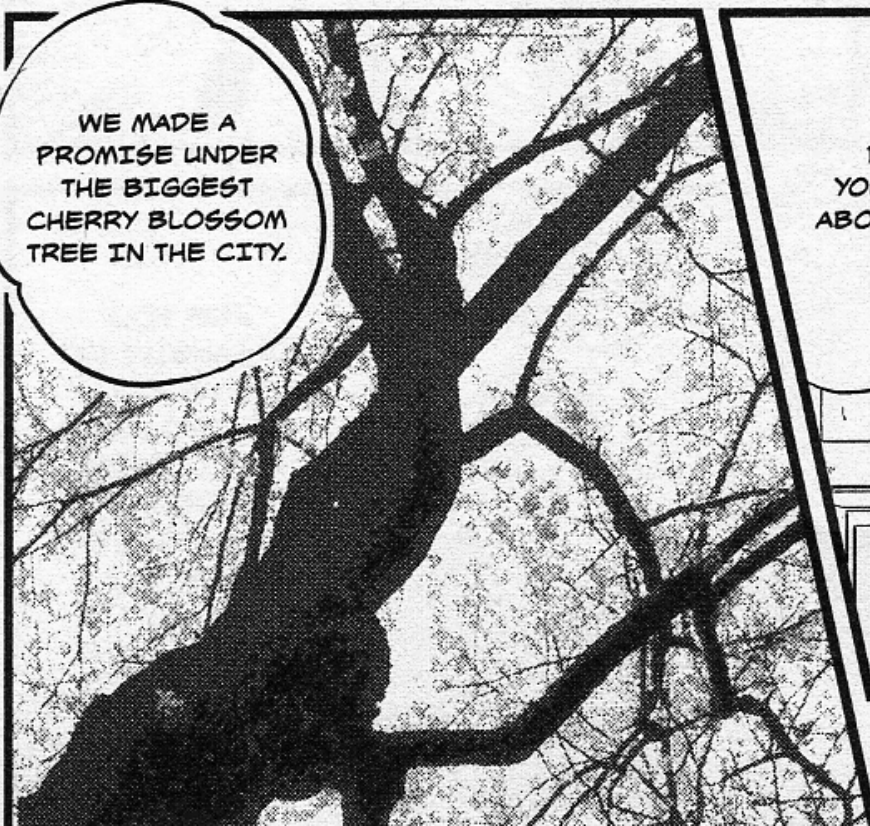
HMPH...IT
WAS PROBABLY
BECAUSE OF THAT
PROMISE I MADE.



TH-THEN DO YOU
HAVE ANY IDEAS AS
TO WHY HE BEGAN
STALKING YOU?



WE MADE A
PROMISE UNDER
THE BIGGEST
CHERRY BLOSSOM
TREE IN THE CITY.



DON'T
YOU KNOW
ABOUT THAT?


"THAT
PROMISE"?



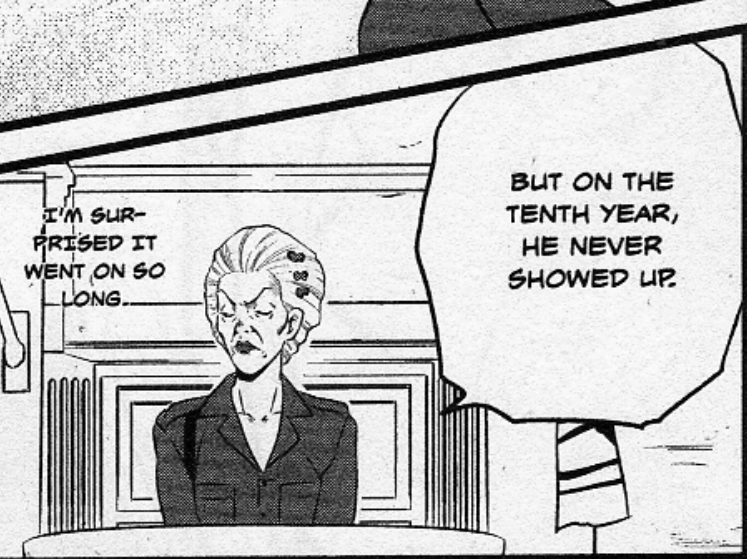


LET'S MEET UNDER THIS
CHERRY BLOSSOM TREE
EVERY YEAR BEFORE THE
BELL CHIMES TO RING
IN THE NEW YEAR...

I PROMISED HIM THAT
IF HE KEPT IT UP FOR
TEN YEARS, I WOULD
MARRY HIM.




YOU'D THINK
THE KID
WOULD WANT
TO RUN AWAY.




I'M SUR-
PRISED IT
WENT ON SO
LONG.

BUT ON THE
TENTH YEAR,
HE NEVER
SHOWED UP.



I MEAN, WHO
WOULD WAIT
A HUNDRED
YEARS, RIGHT?



SO I
GAVE UP.



AND THERE AREN'T
ANY LARGE CHERRY
BLOSSOMS TREES
IN THIS CITY. WHAT
IS THE MEANING
OF THIS?

J... JUST A
MINUTE! A HUN-
DRED YEARS?
THIS MAN IS
CLEARLY IN HIS
TWENTIES!!

WHAT
EXACTLY
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT!?



HE DIED
A LONG
TIME AGO,
IN THE WAR.

THE IAN
KNOTTWORKY I
KNEW WAS A KIND
YOUNG MAN FROM
MY NEIGHBORHOOD
WHO WOULD ALWAYS
PLAY WITH ME...

THAT'S
WHAT I
WANT TO
KNOW.



DEAD...?

I'M...

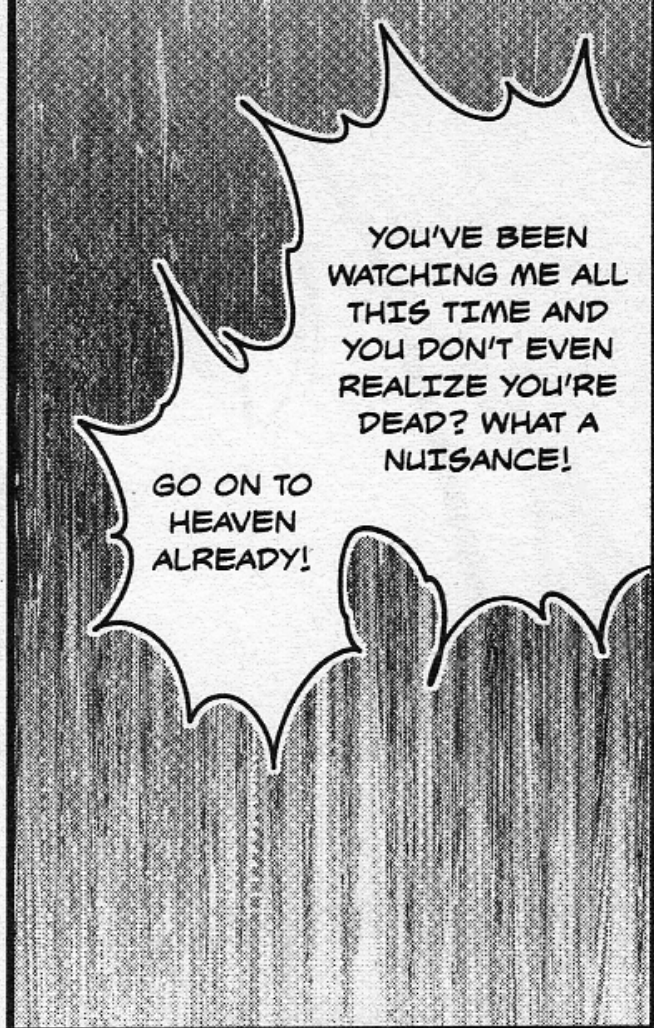


AND I'M
WORRIED
ABOUT YOU,
WENDOLYN!

B-BUT,
FINALLY, I
CAN SPEAK
WITH YOU...



JUST HOW
MUCH TIME DO
YOU THINK HAS
GONE BY?



YOU'VE BEEN
WATCHING ME ALL
THIS TIME AND
YOU DON'T EVEN
REALIZE YOU'RE
DEAD? WHAT A
NUISANCE!

GO ON TO
HEAVEN
ALREADY!



I'M NOT A
GIRL ANY-
MORE.


MY
SWEET
IAN.








P...
PEARLS!




WHO IS
THAT?

HE SAID HE HAD
SOMETHING VERY
IMPORTANT TO SAY.
SO I HELPED HIM.



YOU WERE
CHANNEL-
ING HIM,
PEARLS?


MR.
NICK...
I...




NOT EVEN
REALIZING HE
WAS DEAD! HE'S
A FOOL...

SO
WHY!?


IAN WASN'T
JUST WORRIED
ABOUT YOU LIKE
A LITTLE SISTER.
HE LOVED YOU!!






OBVIOUSLY, I
WOULD PREFER
THAT HE GO TO
HEAVEN AND
FIND HAPPI-
NESS THERE.

INSTEAD OF
FOLLOWING AN
OLD BAG LIKE
ME AROUND
UNTIL I DIE...




WITHOUT
A DEFEN-
DANT, I CAN'T
PRONOUNCE A
VERDICT.


B-BUT
THIS IS A
PROBLEM.




MS.
OLDBAG
...



!!?



MS. OLDBAG!
YOU CAN'T
FALL ASLEEP
HERE...



WHIPPERSNAPPERS!
I'M AN OLD WOMAN!
I'M WORN OUT BY ALL
THIS RIDICULOUS
RUCKUS!

I THOUGHT
YOU'D DIS-
APPEARED...

HUH?
NICK?

M...
MAYA!?

IT'S
BETTER
FOR HER
NOT TO
KNOW.


I CAN'T BELIEVE
SHE TURNED INTO
AN OLD BAG.

I DON'T REALLY
REMEMBER
ANYTHING AFTER
WE WENT TO THE
POLICE STATION.
WHAT HAPPENED?

...IS THAT
MS. OLDBAG
WAS DEAD
HERSELF.


I DON'T REALLY
KNOW MYSELF,
BUT WHAT I
CAN SAY...

WHAT
IS THE
MEANING
OF THIS,
WRIGHT!?



BUT
NOW...

THEY CAN
FULFILL THEIR
PROMISE IN
THE OTHER
WORLD.



AND NOTHING
TO LEAVE IN THE
RECORDS, THE
CURTAIN CLOSED
ON THE ILLUSORY
GHOST TRIAL.

THUS, WITH NO
DEFENDANT AND
NO PLAINTIFF...



WHO ARE
YOU CALL-
ING DEAD,
WHIPPER-
SNAPPER!?

BUT IT'S KINDA
SAD THAT MS.
OLDBAG IS DEAD.

SHE DIED
YESTERDAY
WITH A PEACE-
FUL LOOK ON
HER FACE, BUT
HOW DARE YOU
SUGGEST THAT
SHE LOOKED
LIKE ME....!!?

WENDOLYN!?
THAT'S MY
GRANDMOTHER!!
MY NAME IS
WENDY!!



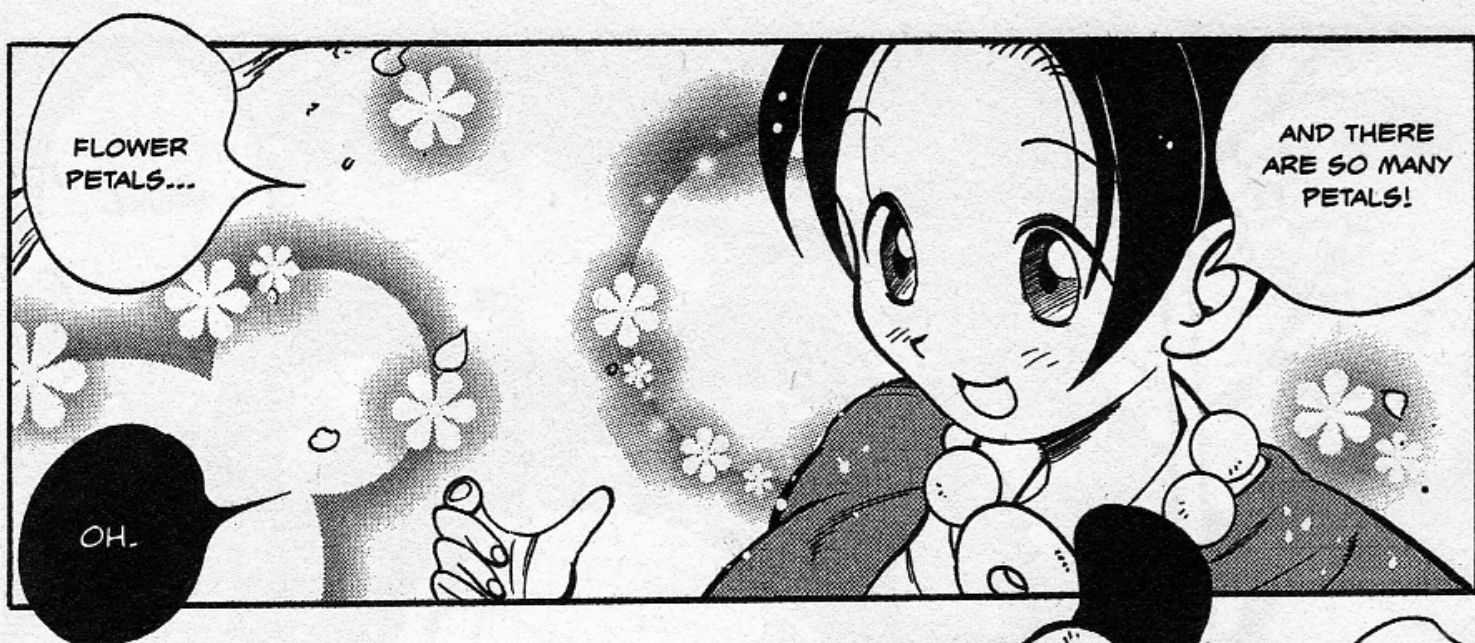
O...
OBJECTION!

AREN'T YOU ALL
GLAD TO SEE MS.
OLDBAG AGAIN,
EVERYONE!!?



END





FLOWER
PETALS...

AND THERE
ARE SO MANY
PETALS!

OH.



OH!

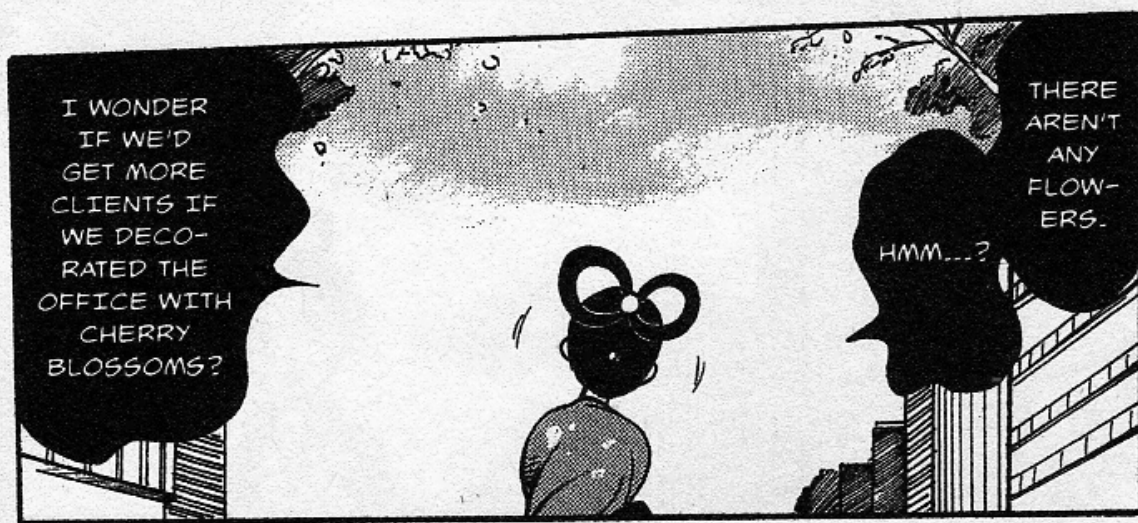


IT'S ALWAYS
MESSY, AND
THERE'S NEVER
ANY WORK.

THERE AREN'T
ANY FLOWERS
AROUND THE
OFFICE, ARE
THERE?

DIDN'T
MYSTIC
MAYA
SAY...?

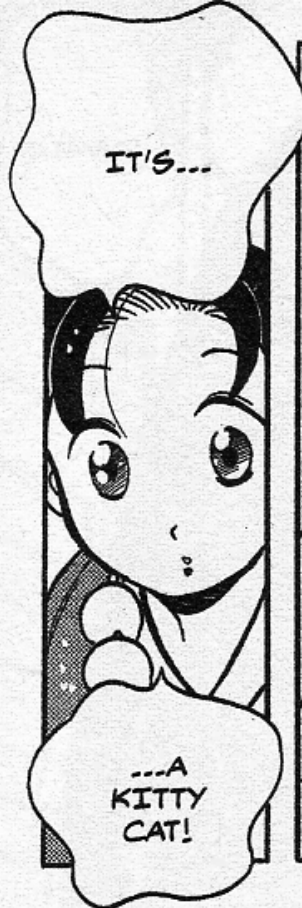
I-IT'S MORE
EFFICIENT
LIKE THIS!



I WONDER
IF WE'D
GET MORE
CLIENTS IF
WE DECO-
RATED THE
OFFICE WITH
CHERRY
BLOSSOMS?

THERE
AREN'T
ANY
FLOW-
ERS.

HMM...?





SO
WE CAN
CREATE
A BIG
CASE!?

WHY
DON'T I TRY
SETTING A
TRAP...

ARE
YOU
SERIOUS?



THIS
OFFICE
IS AS
EMPTY AS
EVER.

YAAWWN.



THAT'S
NOT
WHAT I
MEANT...

OH,
YEAH!

THEN I'D
HAVE TO
PAY THE
LAWYER
FEES.

STOP
SAYING
THAT!



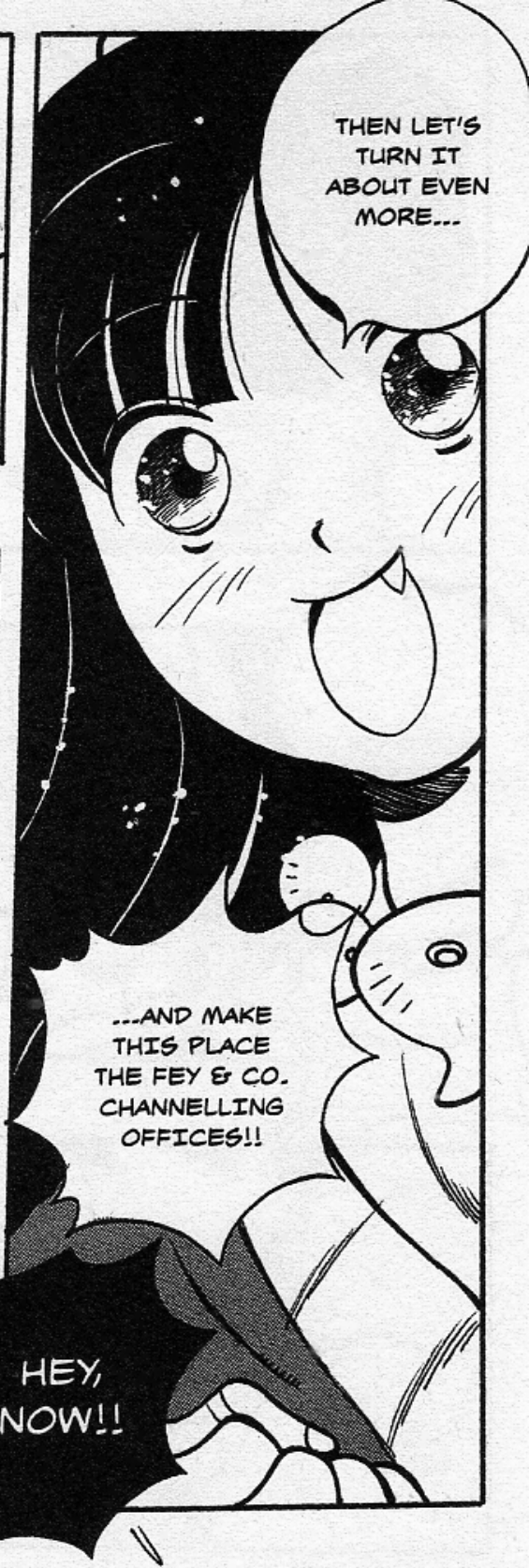
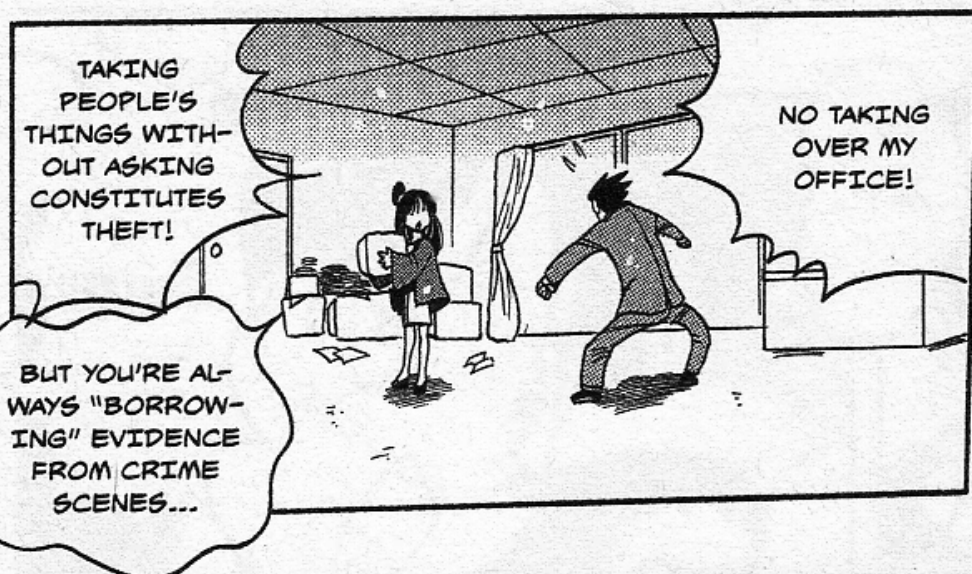
THAT'S MY
NICK! THE
KIND OF
THINKING
THAT LEADS
TO TURN-
ABOUTS,
RIGHT!?

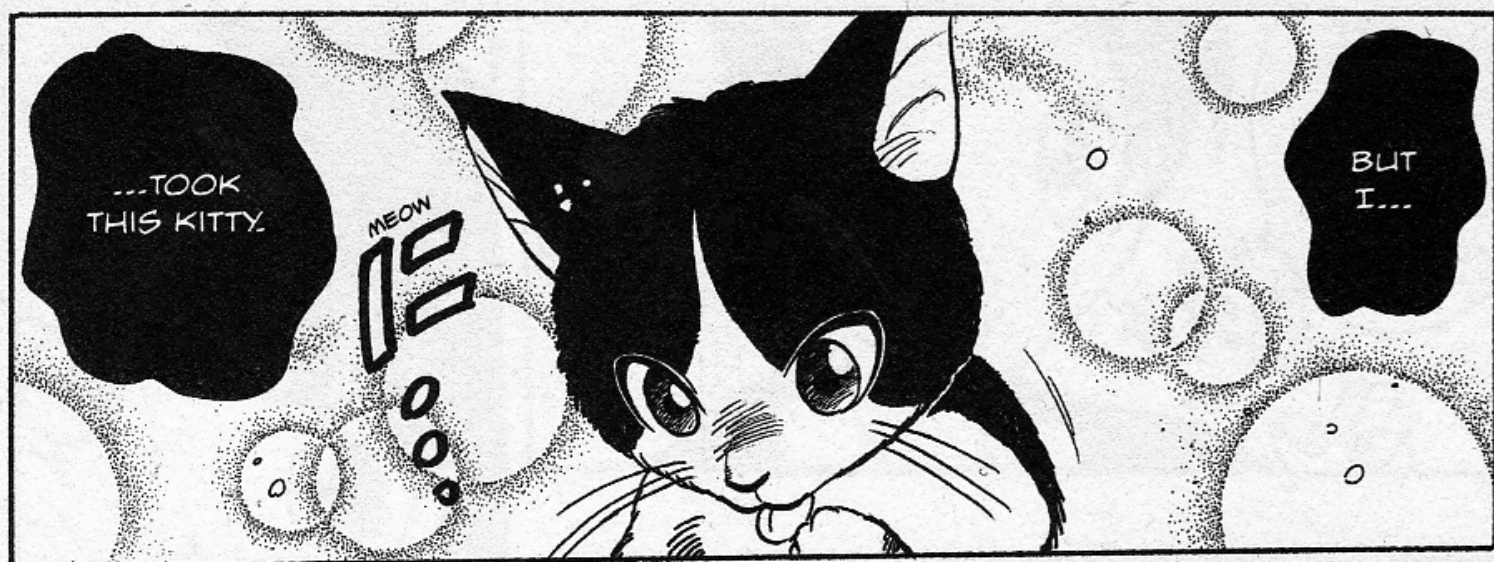
OH!

BUT I
DO WANT
WORK...

ME NOT HAVING
WORK MEANS
THERE AREN'T
ANY CASES,

AND THE
WORLD IS
AT PEACE.
THAT'S ALL.







THERE'S NO PLACE TO KEEP HIM IN THIS CLUTTERED OFFICE!

AND WHO'S GONNA TAKE CARE OF HIM?

IF YOU HAVE ANY EVIDENCE, THEN LET US SEE IT!



YOU SAY WE CAN'T KEEP A CAT IN THE WORKPLACE...

MEOW

I-I DON'T, BUT...



THAT'S CRAZY TALK, PEARLS!

AND MR. NICK CAN BE IN CHARGE OF TAKING CARE OF HIM!

HMM...

IF MR. NICK LEAVES, WE CAN MAKE SPACE FOR HIM...



MEOW?

TAP

AH!

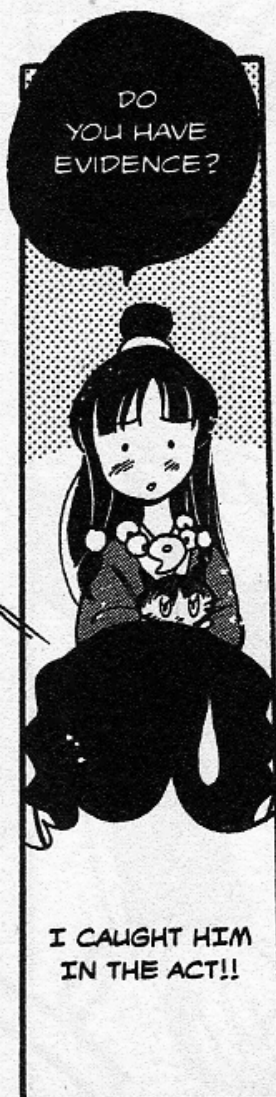
POUNCE

WAH!

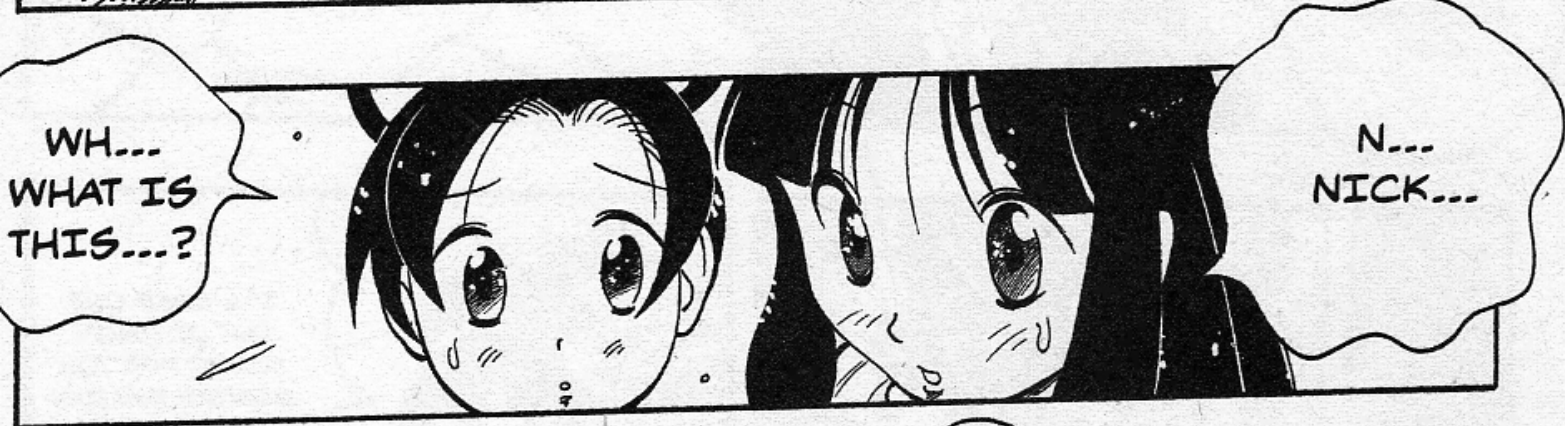
CLATTER

MY ATTORNEY'S BADGE!

WHAP!!









WH-WHAT
IS ALL
THIS?

CLUNK

I HAVE
PLENTY OF
EVIDENCE
RIGHT HERE!!

THE
OFFICE
TRASH.

WAH!

THE SOU-
VENIRS I
BOUGHT A
LONG TIME
AGO...

KURAIN VIL-
LAGE PENNANTS,
KURAIN-SCHOOL
WOODEN SWORDS,
KURAIN STEAMED
BUNS, KURAIN
DEER FOOD...

THOSE WON'T
MAKE GOOD
EVIDENCE.

NOTHING GETS
PAST YOU-

THAT'S MY
NICK!

EH HEH...

SHE KNEW THE
WHOLE TIME!

I'LL TAKE
50,000
YEN* FOR
IT!

WHIP

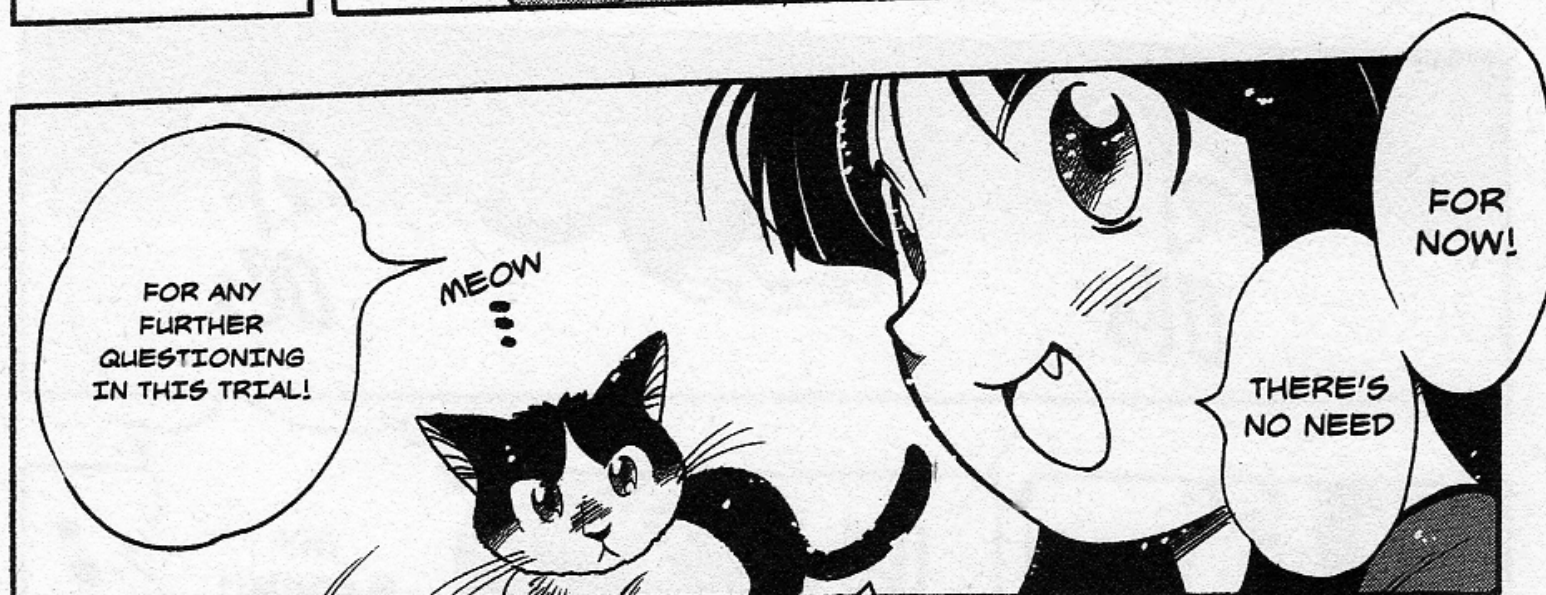
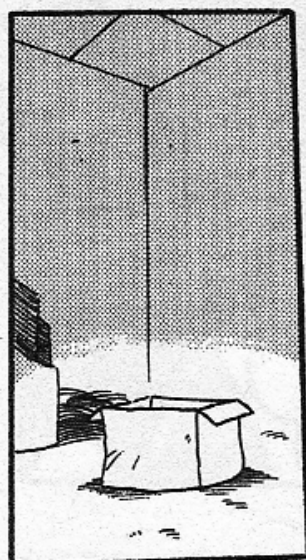
THIS IS TOP
SECRET! A KURAIN
VILLAGE GOURDY
PHOTO COLLEC-
TION!

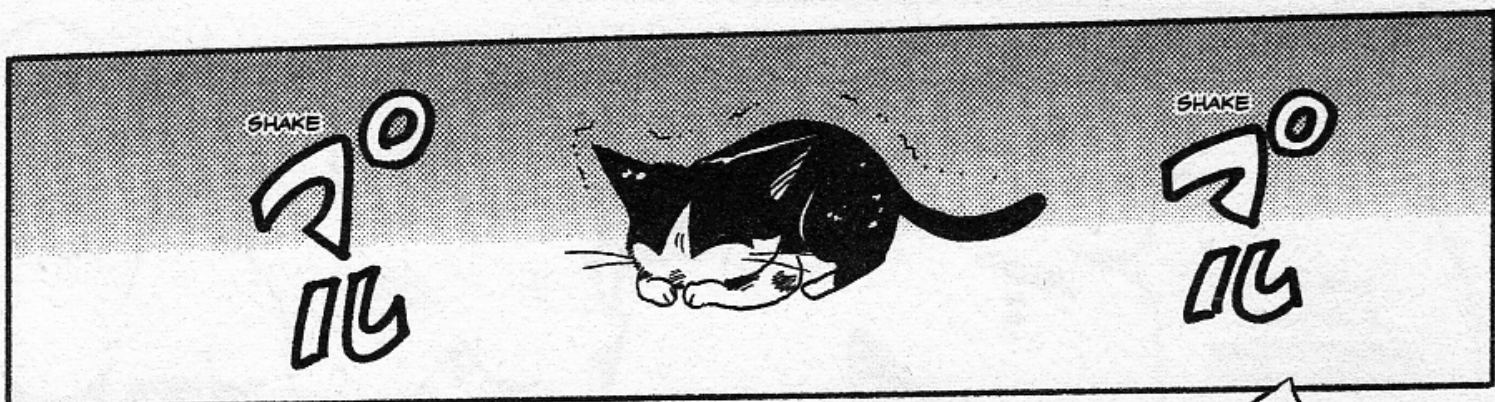
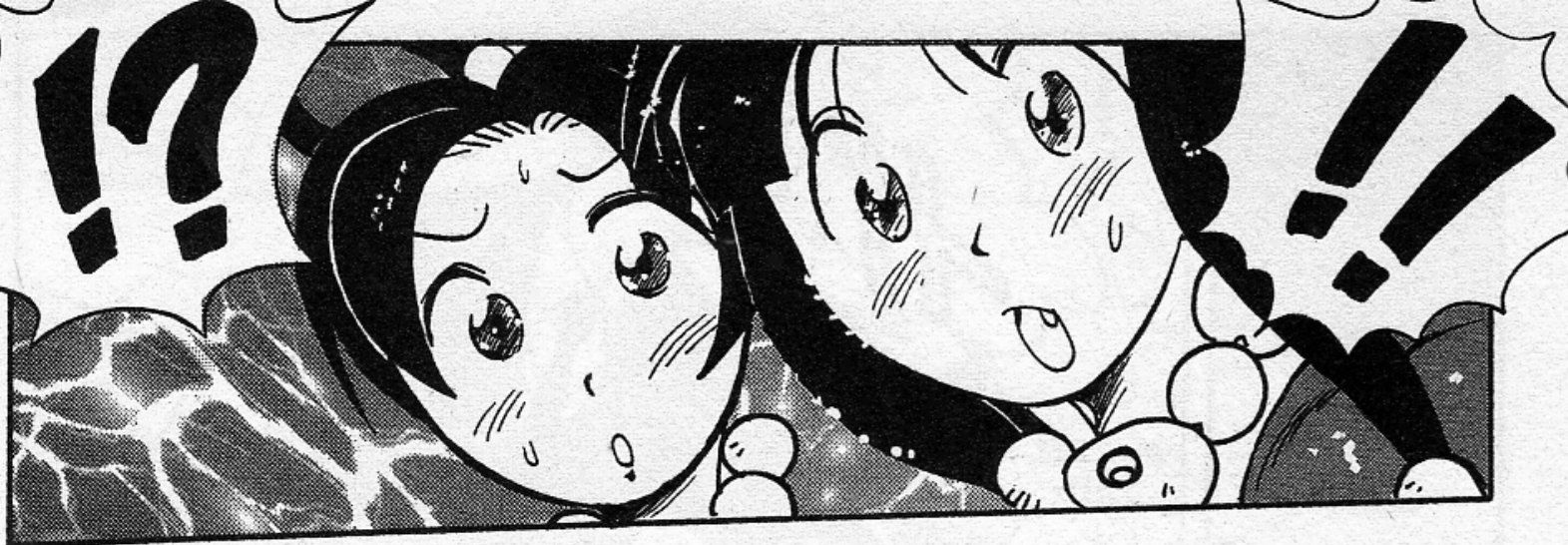
KURAIN
VILLAGE HAS
NOTHING
TO DO WITH
GOURDY!!

MEW

CLASSIFIED

*\$500







CAT...

...
FOOD?



YOU MEAN
THIS?

OFFER

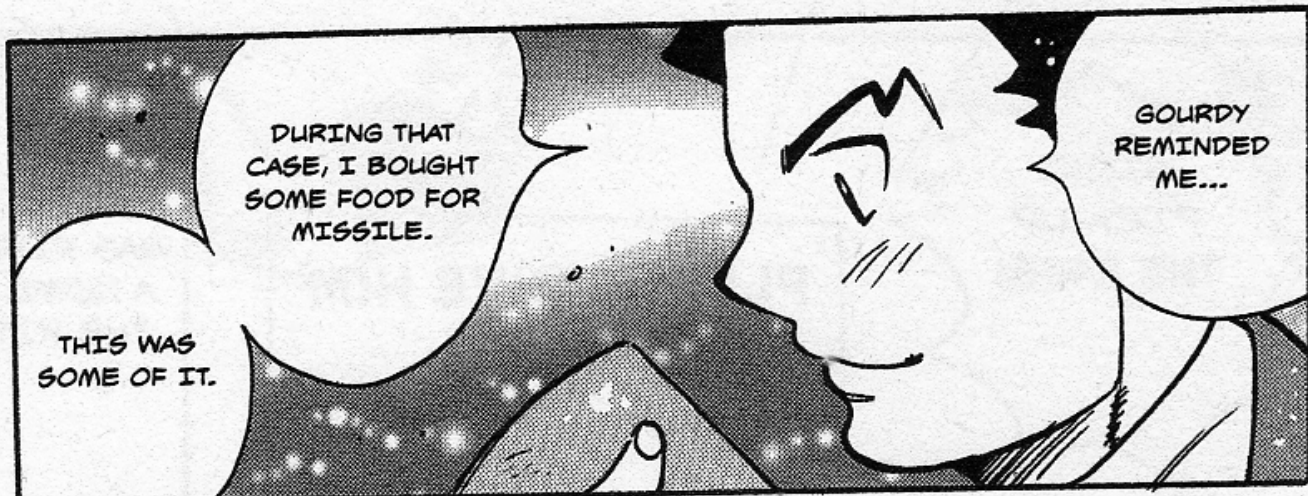
CAT FOOD!
PILL COUGHER-
UPPER!

SO...
WHAT IS
THAT?



I KIND
OF...

...SENSE A
CONTRA-
DICTION.



DURING THAT
CASE, I BOUGHT
SOME FOOD FOR
MISSILE.

THIS WAS
SOME OF IT.

GOURDY
REMINDED
ME...



Y-YOU'RE
RIGHT.
I'M
SORRY.

MEOW?

I'LL GO
PUT HIM
BACK.



CLUTTER

IT WOULD BE
IMPOSSIBLE
TO KEEP HIM
AT AN OFFICE
LIKE THIS.

WE
WOULDN'T
WANT
ANOTHER
ACCIDENT
LIKE THIS.



TH-
THEN...

WE REALLY
CAN'T KEEP
THE KITTY...?

WOULD BE IN
VIOLATION
OF ANIMAL
CONTROL
LAWS...

---ABANDONING
IT AGAIN---

NO! EVEN IF THE
CAT OR DOG WAS
A STRAY...

OUR
FIRST
JOB IN
A LONG
WHILE...

WRIGHT
& CO.
LAW
OFFICES

HMM...
WHAT'LL
WE DO?

AND
SO...

NICK!
PICK UP
THE PACE!

YOU
CALL YOUR-
SELF A
LAWYER!?

PLEASE GIVE HIM
A HOME



Mystic Maya
CONTACT ~~WRIGHT~~ &
CO. LAW OFFICES

WAS FINDING
A HOME FOR
THE KITTEN

I DREW A
PICTURE!

MEOWWWWWW

WAH!

THIS IS
WORK FOR A
LAWYER!?

NO
SWALLOW-
ING THE
MAGATAMA!!

I
PICKED
UP THE
WRONG
CAN...

A
DOG?

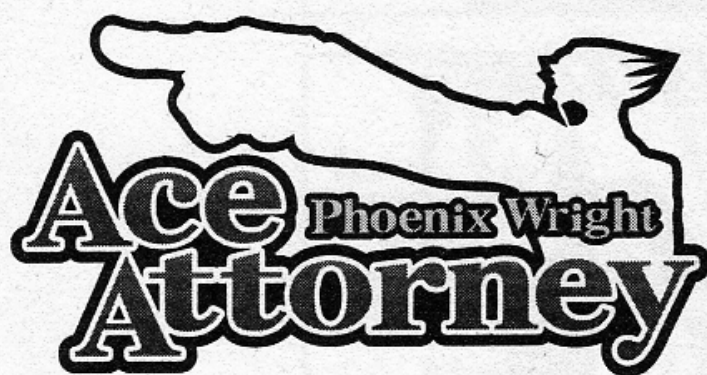
WASN'T
MISSILE

UWK

END



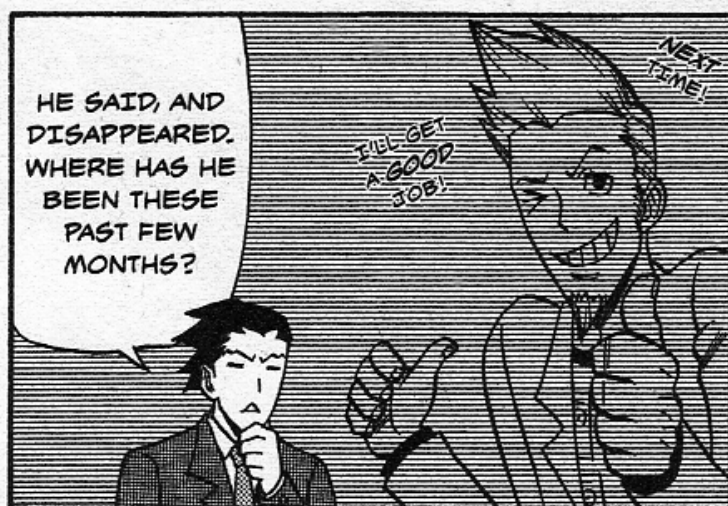
Objection!



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ANYTHING BUT THAT!





KIND LIES
BY TSUBAKI MIKAGE





ISN'T IT
HARD TO
SLEEP ON
THE SOFA
BED?

IT'S
FINE.

I CALLED
YOUR
VILLAGE.

OH, THANK
YOU. SORRY
FOR ALL THE
TROUBLE.

NIITICK!

OH, YEAH, YOU'RE NOT COLD, ARE YOU?
IF YOU'RE HUNGRY I'LL MAKE YOU SOME-
THING... OR WOULD FRUIT BE BETTER?

OH, WAIT, MAYBE YOU SHOULD SLEEP. I'LL
BE IN THE NEXT ROOM IF YOU NEED ANY-
THING AT ALL.

HEY,
NICK.



PFF

FLUSTER
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FLUSTER

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DID MY SISTER
USE THIS SOFA
BED, TOO?

MIA?

SHE WAS A
VERY BUSY
PERSON.

SHE
MIGHT'VE.

THAT KINDA
MAKES ME
HAPPY.

EH HEH
HEH.

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SHE GETS
TO SEE HER
A HECK OF
A LOT LESS
THAN I DO.

COME TO
THINK OF
IT,

MAYA IS
UNCONSCIOUS
WHENEVER
MIA'S AROUND.



SAY NO!

NOW RECRUITING OFFICERS

I HAVE A MS. PEARL FEY IN CUSTODY. SHE WAS RUNNING THROUGH THE STREETS AFTER DARK.

SHE SAYS SHE HAS TO GET TO YOUR OFFICE AND WON'T LISTEN TO A WORD I SAY.

WRIGHT & CO...

SORRY TO CALL SO LATE AT NIGHT.

I'M A POLICE OFFICER IN X CITY.

POLICE ...!?



I'LL PUT HER ON.

★ PEARLS?

WHAT...?

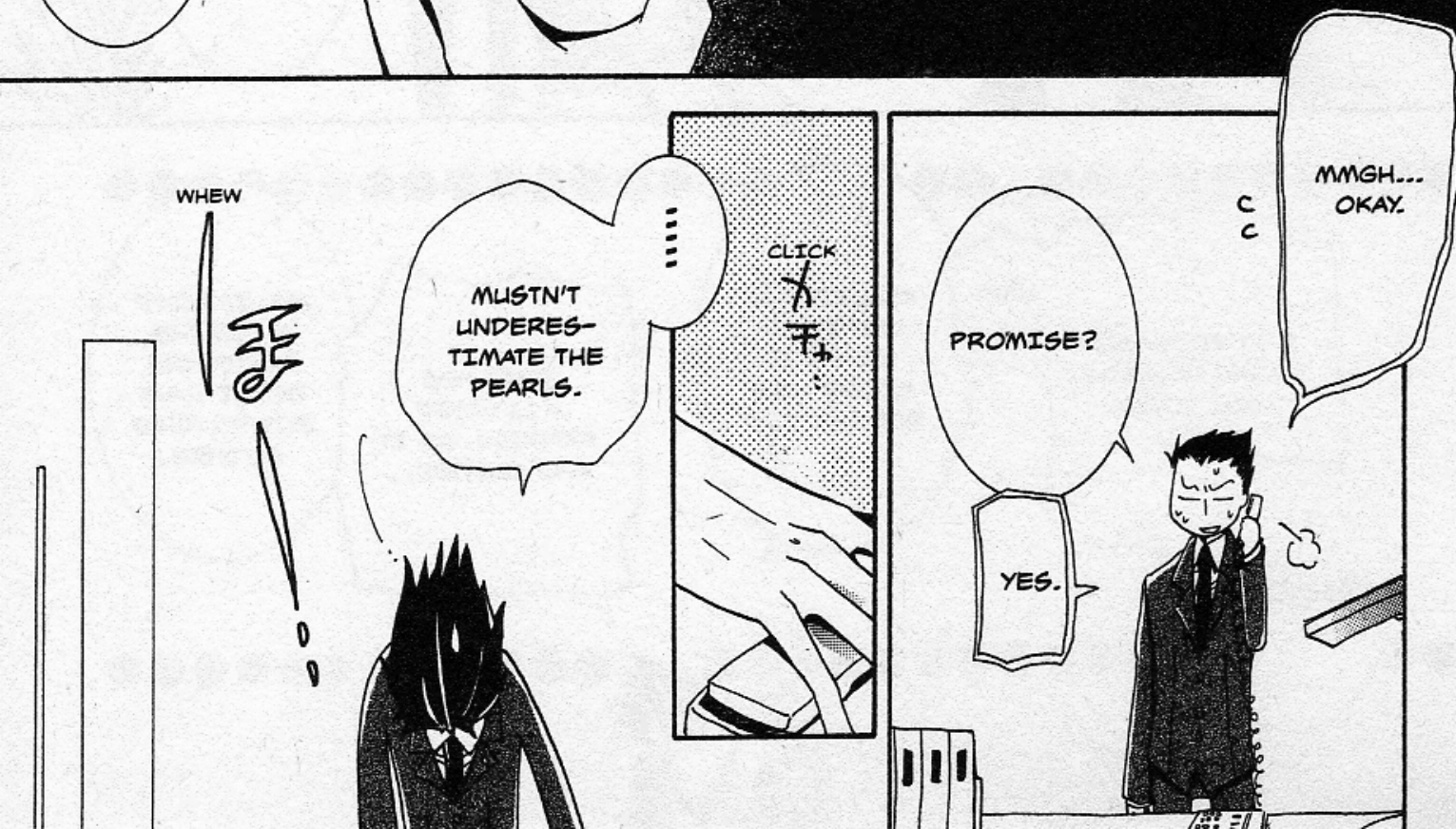


I-I HEARD THAT MYSTIC MAYA WAS SICK!

I JUST COULDN'T SIT STILL, SO I LEFT THE HOUSE!

MR. NICK...!

P-PEARLS? WHAT ARE YOU DOING!?



MORNING

☀

PEARLS....

YES...
はい...



I-IT PROBABLY
WASN'T FEELING
WELL TODAY.

URK!

OBJECTION!
"EXPRESS"
MEANS IT
WOULD HAVE
BEEN FASTER.

IT-IT WAS
A LIMITED
EXPRESS, SO IT
WAS SLOWER...

AND IF YOU'D
TAKEN THE
TRAIN, YOU
WOULD HAVE
GOTTEN HERE
SOONER.

OBJECTION!

UAA



LITTLE GIRLS
SHOULDN'T BE
WALKING AROUND
AFTER DARK!! WHAT
IF SOMETHING HAD
HAPPENED TO YOU!?
EVERYONE IN THE
VILLAGE, AND MAYA,
AND ME—WE ALL
WOULD HAVE BEEN
WORRIED SICK!! AND
YOU PROMISED ME
ON THE PHONE LAST
NIGHT!! YOU LIED TO
ME, PEARLS!



...SHE MUST
REALLY BE VERY
LONELY, BUT
MYSTIC MAYA
ALWAYS SMILES
SO BRIGHTLY
FOR US.

EVER SINCE
MYSTIC MIA
WENT AWAY...

I JUST
WANTED TO DO
WHATEVER I
COULD TO HELP
MYSTIC MAYA!



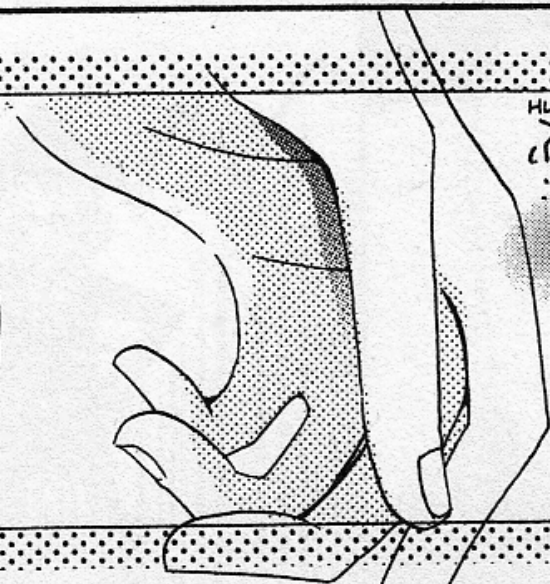
SO I
DECIDED THAT
WHENEVER
MYSTIC MAYA
IS HAVING A
HARD TIME,

I WOULD
BE SURE TO
HELP HER.

PEARLS



THAT'S
ENOUGH,
PHOENIX.





M-MIA!

PHWAH!

Z

I DIDN'T
DO ANY-
THING.

THANK GOOD-
NESS! SO YOU
HELPED HER,
MIA?

ALTHOUGH
I WAS
WORRIED
ENOUGH
TO KEEP
AN EYE ON
HER.

IT'S TRUE THAT
'WHAT PEARL
DID WAS DAN-
GEROUS, AND
SHE SHOULDN'T
HAVE DONE IT.

PEARL IS
DOING HER
BEST IN CARING
FOR MAYA.

AND IT'S
IMPORTANT TO
GET MAD AT HER
FOR IT. BUT...

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AND
THANKS TO
HER...

KA-CHAK...

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I GET TO SEE
MAYA, TOO.



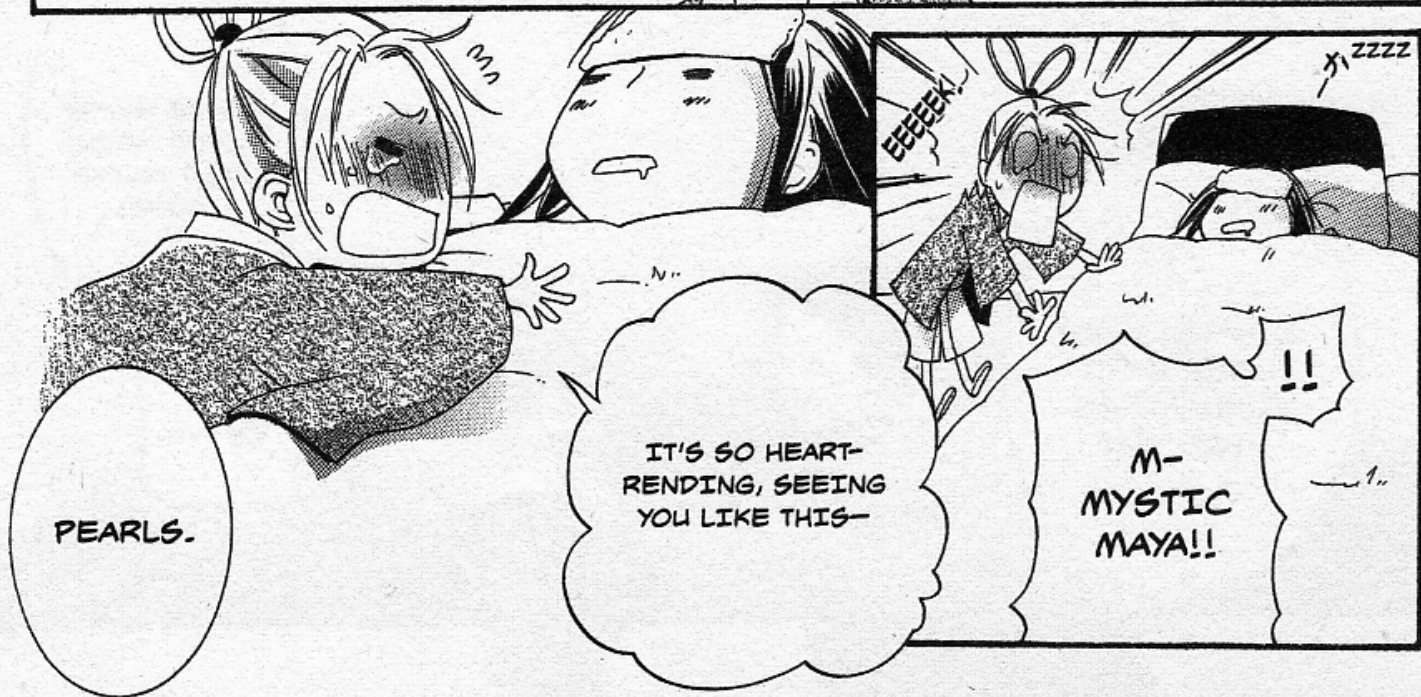
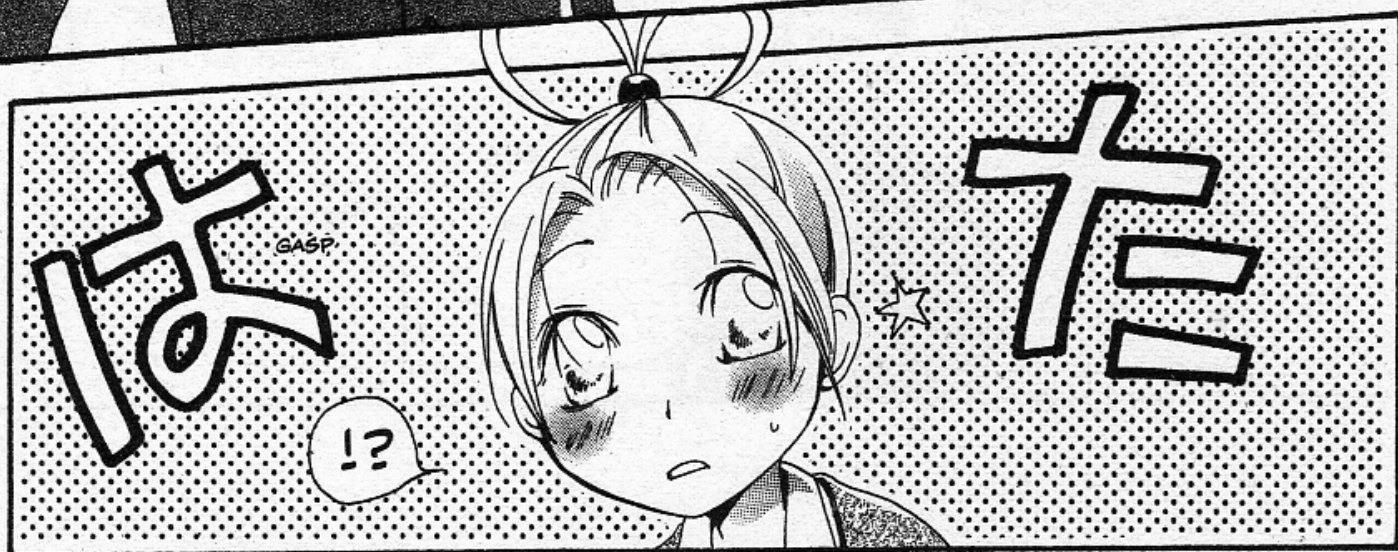
SEE?

YOU SHOULD
TREASURE
THEM.





PEARL'S KIND
FEELINGS...



IT'S SO HEART-
RENDING, SEEING
YOU LIKE THIS—

M-
MYSTIC
MAYA!!



I...

I'M
SORRY!



UM!

I
MEAN

M... MR.
NICK.

THAT
IS!



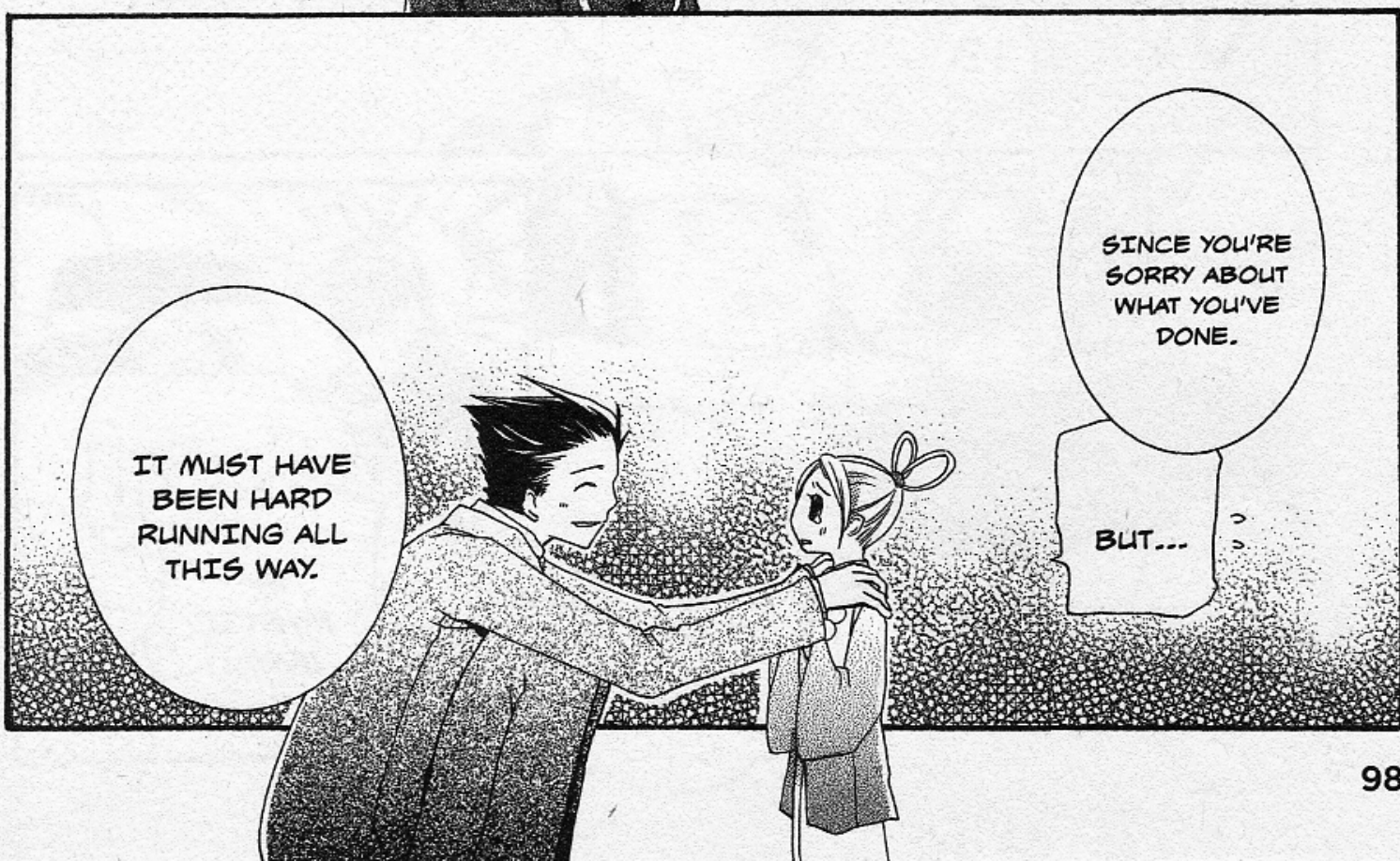
I'VE
WRONGED
YOU...

IT'S
OKAY
NOW.



I BROKE THE
PROMISE I
MADE TO YOU,

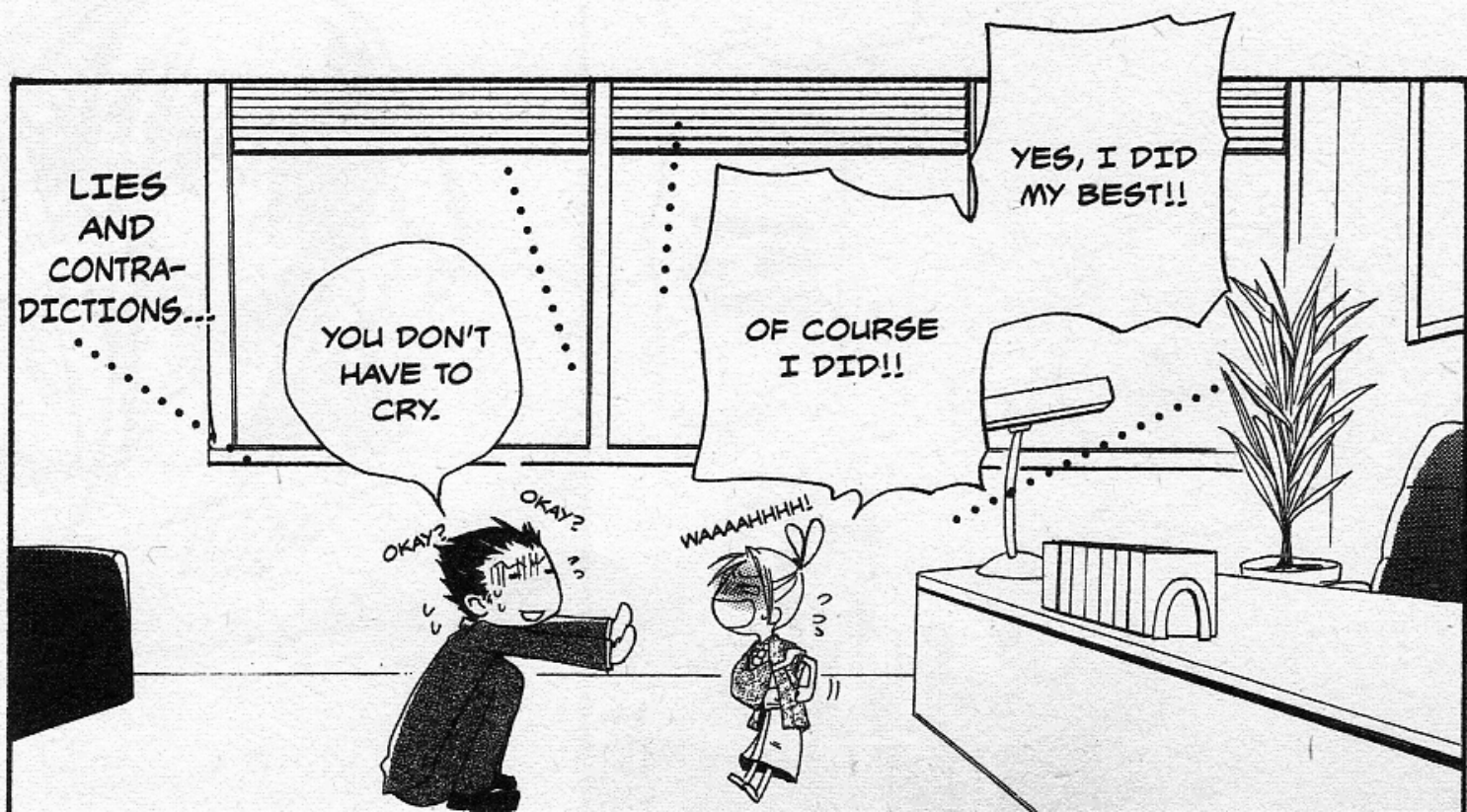
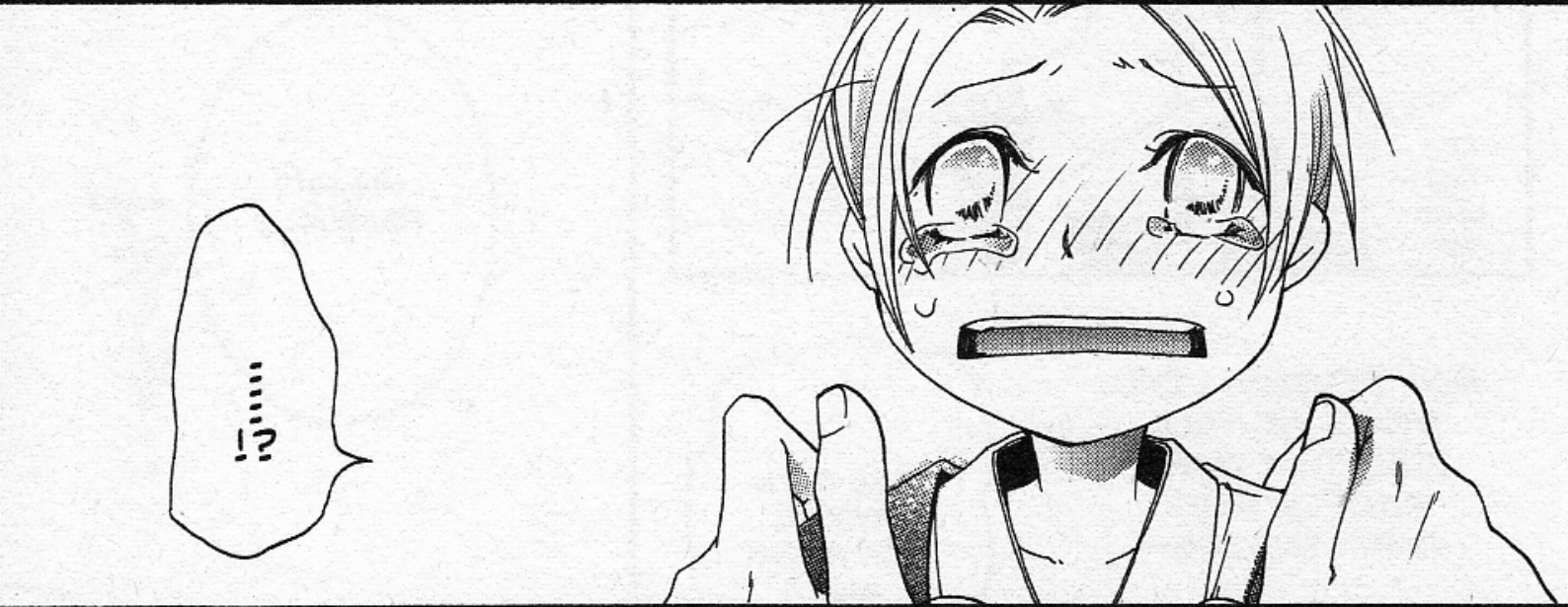
AND I'M
SORRY I
LIED!!



IT MUST HAVE
BEEN HARD
RUNNING ALL
THIS WAY.

SINCE YOU'RE
SORRY ABOUT
WHAT YOU'VE
DONE.

BUT...





YOU CAME TO
SEE ME?

I'M SORRY FOR
INTRUDING ON YOUR
ALONE TIME WITH
MR. NICK!

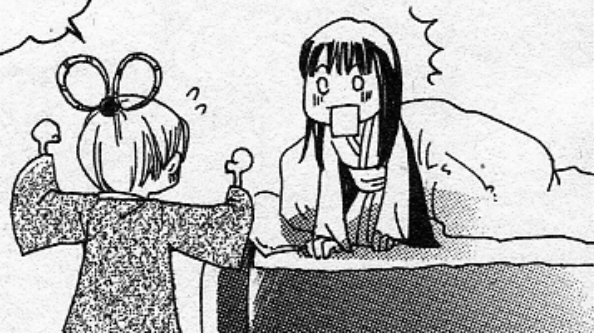
IT'S
NOT
LIKE
THAT.

SOMETIMES, LIKE
TODAY, WE TELL
LIES THAT MAKE
PEOPLE FEEL
WARM INSIDE—

I'LL CALL
MYSTIC
MIA RIGHT
AWAY!!

WHAT!?
ARE YOU
SURE!?

WHY OF
COURSE!!




...AREN'T
ALWAYS
CRIMES.

HUHHH?
PEARLY...?

RUSTLE





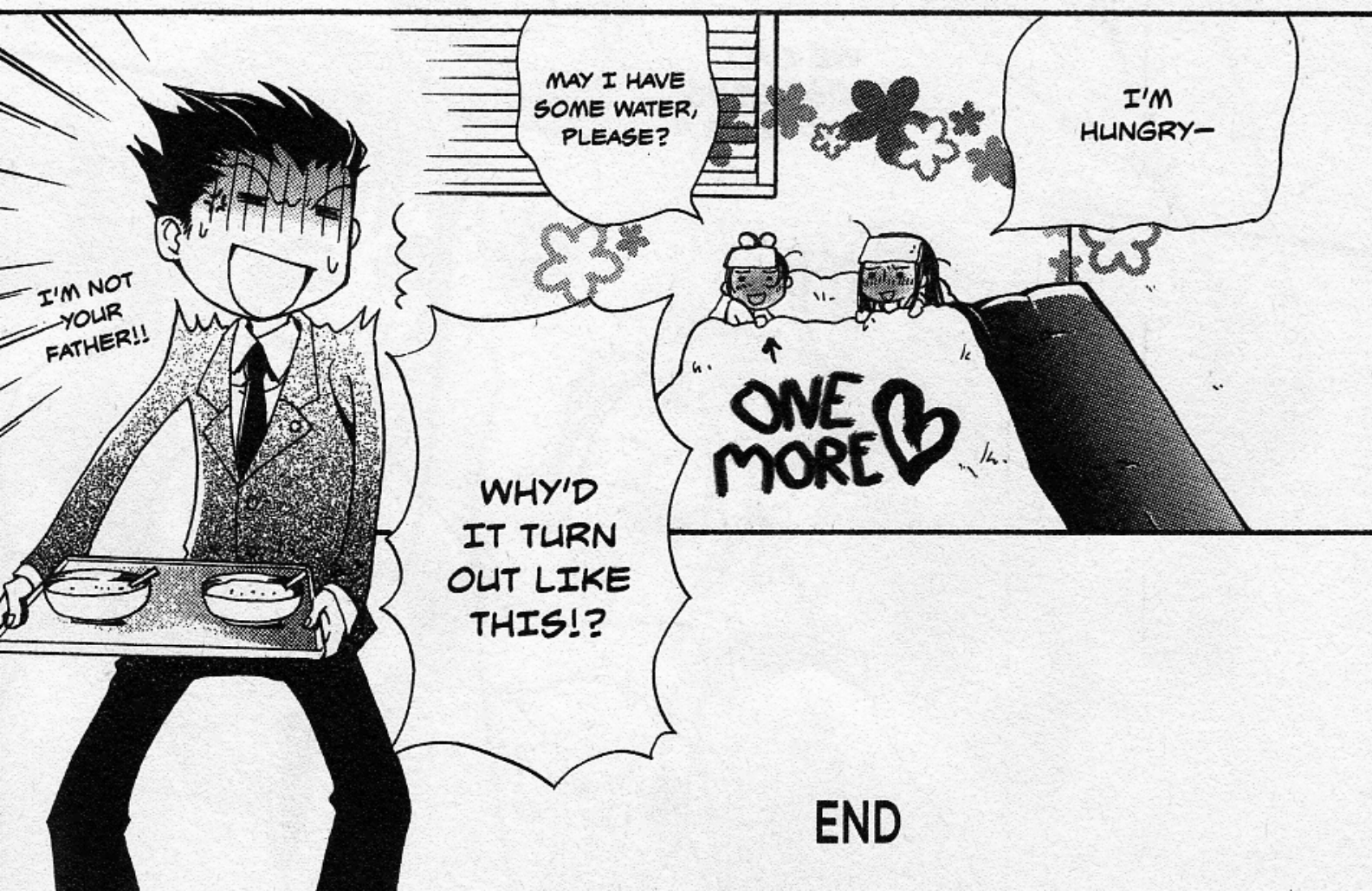
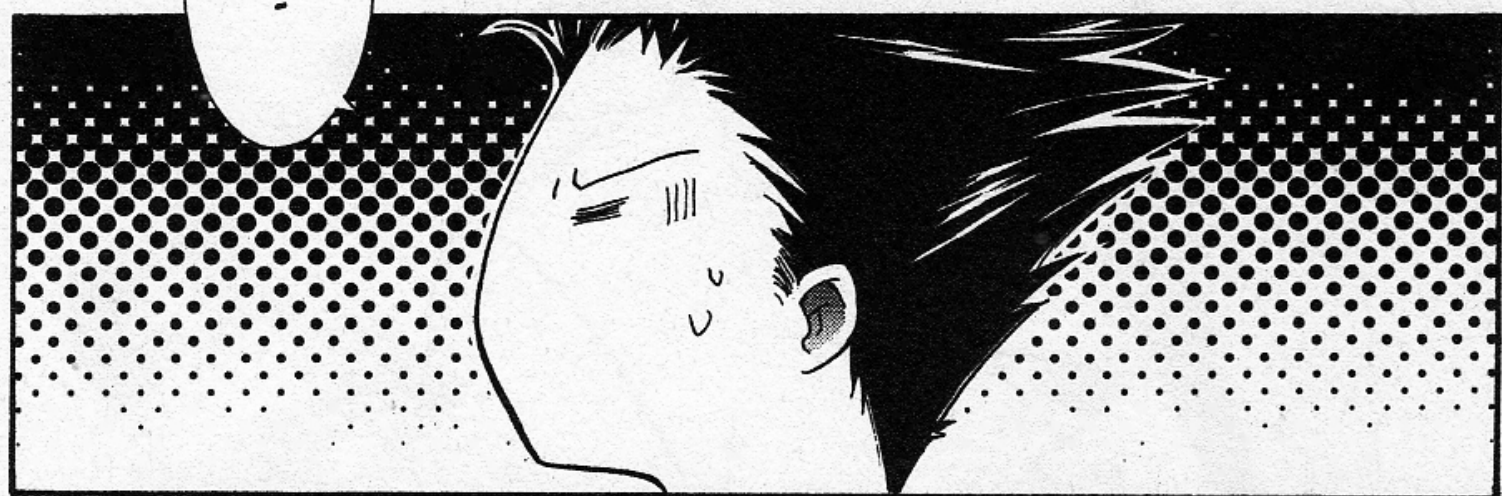
BUT FIRST, I'M
REALLY GLAD
YOU CAME,
PEARLY!

OH,
I DON'T
DESERVE
IT!

WE CALL
THOSE LIES
"KINDNESS."

THAT
NIGHT

NNNNNIIIIIIICCCCCKKKK!



MAY I HAVE
SOME WATER,
PLEASE?

I'M
HUNGRY—

I'M NOT
YOUR
FATHER!!

WHY'D
IT TURN
OUT LIKE
THIS!?

ONE
MORE ♡

END

I DIDN'T
DO IT. I
REALLY
DIDN'T!

YOU'RE
LYING!

YOU
TOOK IT!

THEN
PROVE IT!

I DIDN'T
DO IT.

TURNABOUT MISUNDERSTANDING BY KANAME UCHIMURA

GIVE IT
BACK!

SAY
YOU'RE
SORRY!

YOU DON'T
HAVE PROOF
BECAUSE
YOU DID
DO IT!

I DON'T
HAVE
PROOF...
BECAUSE
I DIDN'T
DO IT.

HOLD
IT!!

EDGE-
WORTH!!

LARRY

I'VE
BELIEVED IN
THESE TWO
EVER SINCE.

YEAH,
THAT'S
RIGHT!

IF YOU
DON'T HAVE
ANY PROOF
HE DID IT,
THEN HE'S
NOT GUILTY!



BUT...

NO!

DON'T LIE
TO ME, WRIGHT!



HMMM

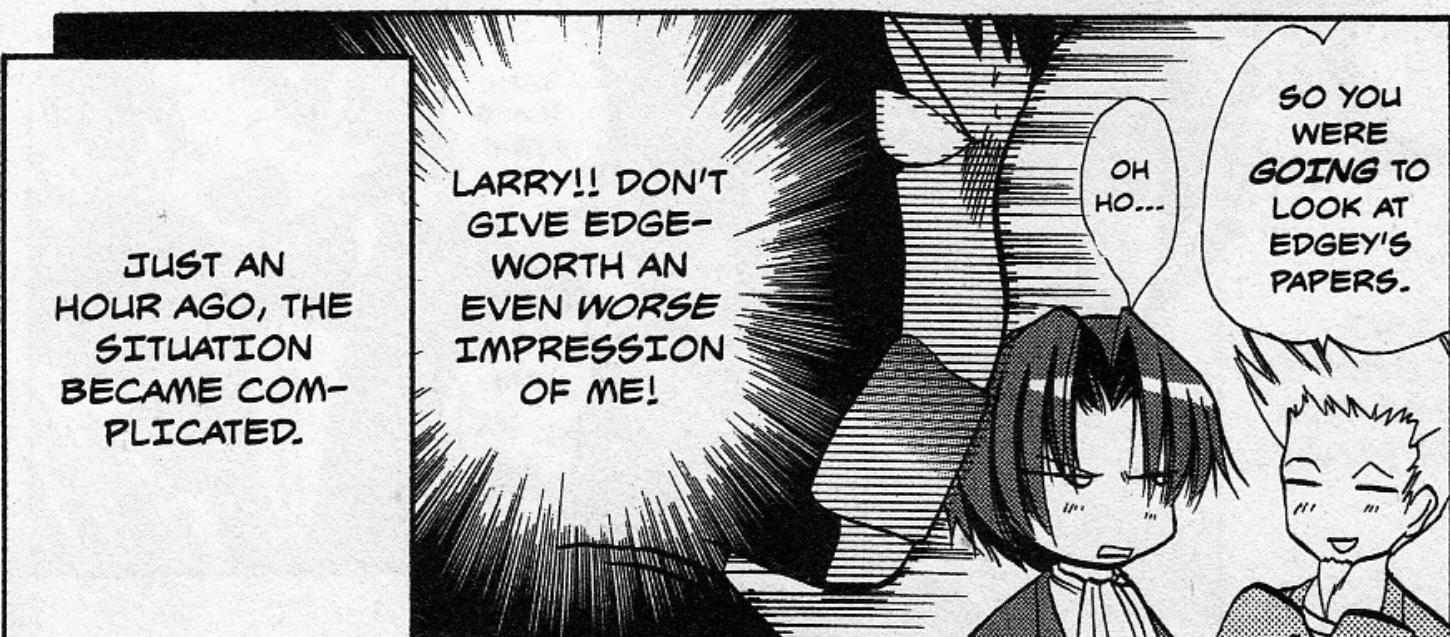
NOT
YET.

N-NO!

NOT
YET!?

I HAVEN'T
LOOKED AT
IT YET!

YOU
GOTTA
BELIEVE
ME!



JUST AN
HOUR AGO, THE
SITUATION
BECAME COM-
PLICATED.

LARRY!! DON'T
GIVE EDGE-
WORTH AN
EVEN WORSE
IMPRESSION
OF ME!

OH
HO...

SO YOU
WERE
GOING TO
LOOK AT
EDGEY'S
PAPERS.



I DREW UP A
DESIGN. TAKE
A LOOK.

NO,
MAN, MY
GIRL-
FRIEND
SAID...

NEXT I
SHOULD
SELL
SAMURAI
COOKIES.

ONE
HOUR
AGO



YEAH, YEAH.
I'M GONNA
READ SOME
PAPERWORK
FOR MY TRIAL,
SO WOULD
YOU BE QUIET
FOR ME?

OH, LEMME
SEE, LEMME
SEE! IT JUST
WON'T BE THE
SAME WITH-
OUT THE PINK
PRINCESS.

SO
HERE'S
THE
DATA,
SIR.

YES.

STALK

STALK

STALK

WALK

WALK

WALK

WALK



OWWW.

I...

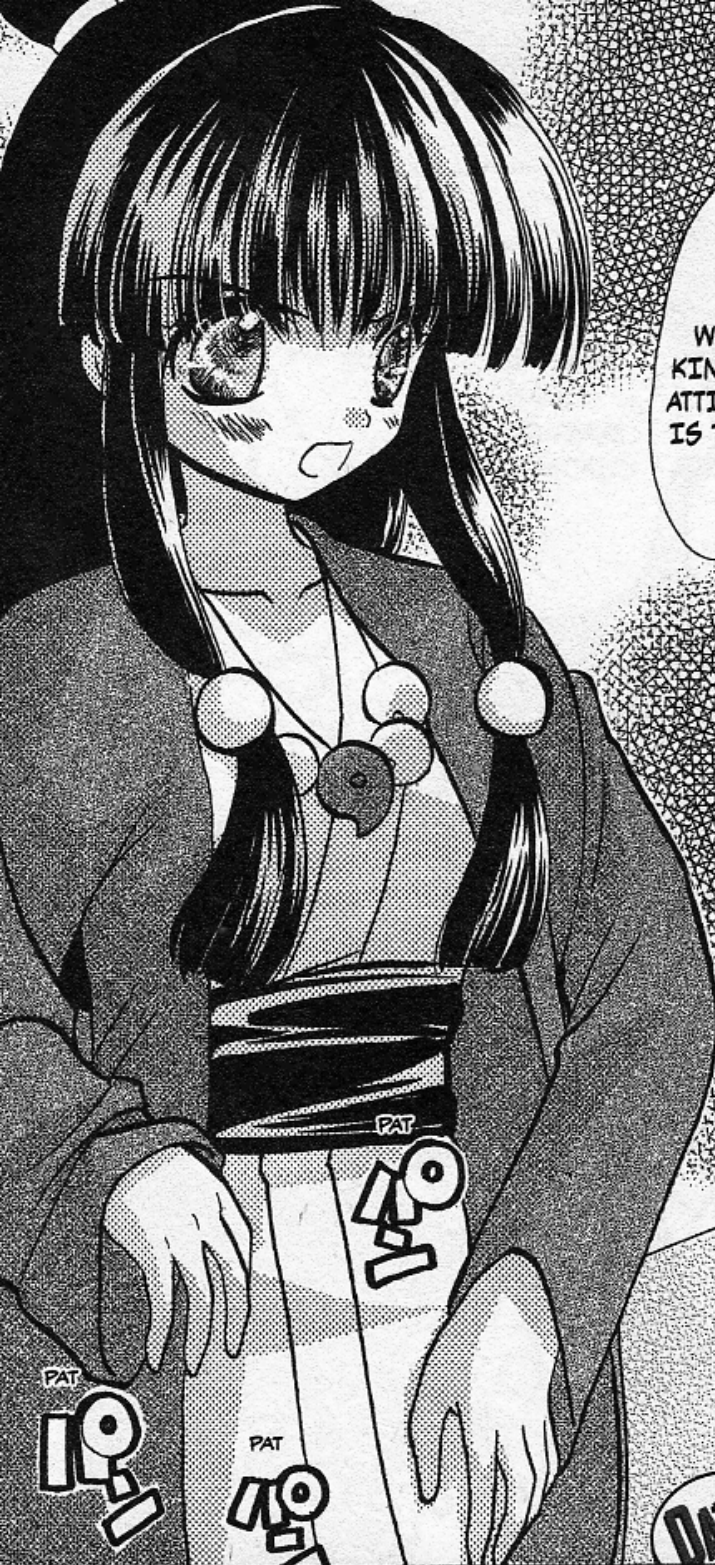
I'M
FINE.

HEY,
EDGE-
WORTH.
YOU OKAY,
SIR?

OWW.

WHAM

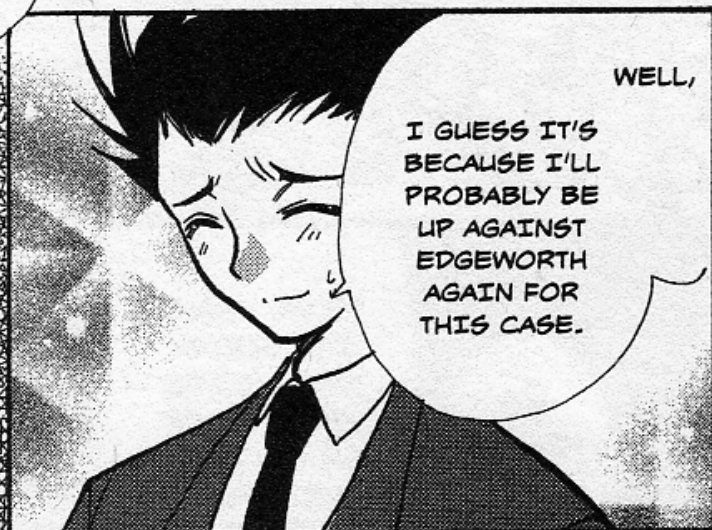
WAH!



WHAT'S
WITH
HIM?

WHAT
KIND OF
ATTITUDE
IS THAT?

WATCH
WHERE
YOU'RE
GOING,
PAL!



WELL,

I GUESS IT'S
BECAUSE I'LL
PROBABLY BE
UP AGAINST
EDGEWORTH
AGAIN FOR
THIS CASE.

MM?

EH?

HUH? THIS
ISN'T THE
PAPERWORK
FOR OUR
TRIAL.

IT HAS
THE WORD
"DATA" ON
IT.





LARRY
WAS HERE,
TOO!

WAIT A
SECOND,
NICK!

THAT
MEANS

YEAH!

AH! IT GOT
SWITCHED WHEN
WE BUMPED INTO
THEM BACK THERE!

THEY HAVE
OUR PAPER-
WORK!

THEN HE
MIGHT
HAVE OUR
PAPERS!



YOU TOOK
SOMETHING
IMPORTANT
FROM ME!
GIVE IT BACK
RIGHT NOW!

BUTZ!!



HUH?
M-MAYBE
HE'S IN
THE BATH-
ROOM!?

AH!
WHERE
IS
LARRY?

ALL
RIGHT!

DASH!

OH... THERE'S
SOME KIND
OF DRAMA
GOING ON IN
THE MEN'S
ROOM...

AH,
NOTH-
ING!

WHAT
SORT OF...
IMPORTANT
THING DO
YOU MEAN?

UH.
HE'S NOT
HERE?

IMPOR-
TANT?

CAN YOU
ONLY GET
IT BACK
IN A REST-
ROOM?

WE HAVE IN
OUR HANDS
SOME OF OUR
ENEMY'S VALLI-
ABLE INFORMATION.

AND
SO!

HE
WASN'T
THERE...

YOU'RE NOT
GONNA GIVE
IT BACK?








THERE'S NO
POINT IN MY
LOOKING AT
SOMETHING
AS WORTH-
LESS AS
THIS.

INCIDENT-
TALLY, WHAT
ABOUT MY
DATA...?

THAT WAS
THEN!! THIS
IS NOW!!

EDGE-
WORTH, YOU
BELIEVED
ME BACK
THEN.


YOUR
CLIENT IS
GUILTY.



WOULD YOU
LIKE IT
BACK?

MEANTE.

ALL
RIGHT.



I'LL PROVE I
DIDN'T LOOK AT IT
BY PROVING MY
CLIENT INNOCENT
IN COURT!





THINK,
WRIGHT!!
WHERE
IS IT!?

I SHOULD
HAVE SOME
EVIDENCE THAT
PROVES IT!!

HMMM...



GASP

AAHH!
I GET IT!

AND
EDGE-
WORTH
SAYS
HE HAS
MINE...

IF LARRY
HAS THE
WRONG
PAPERS...



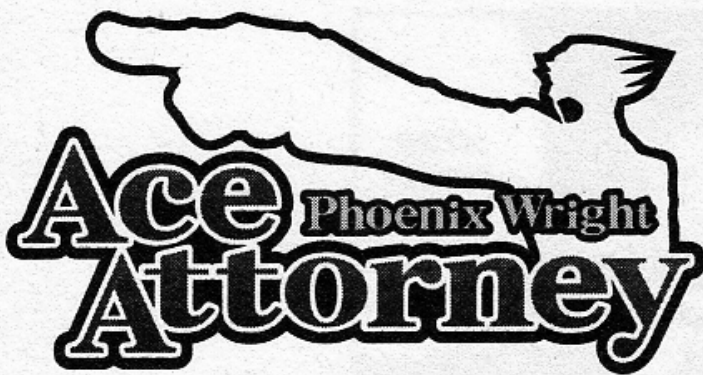
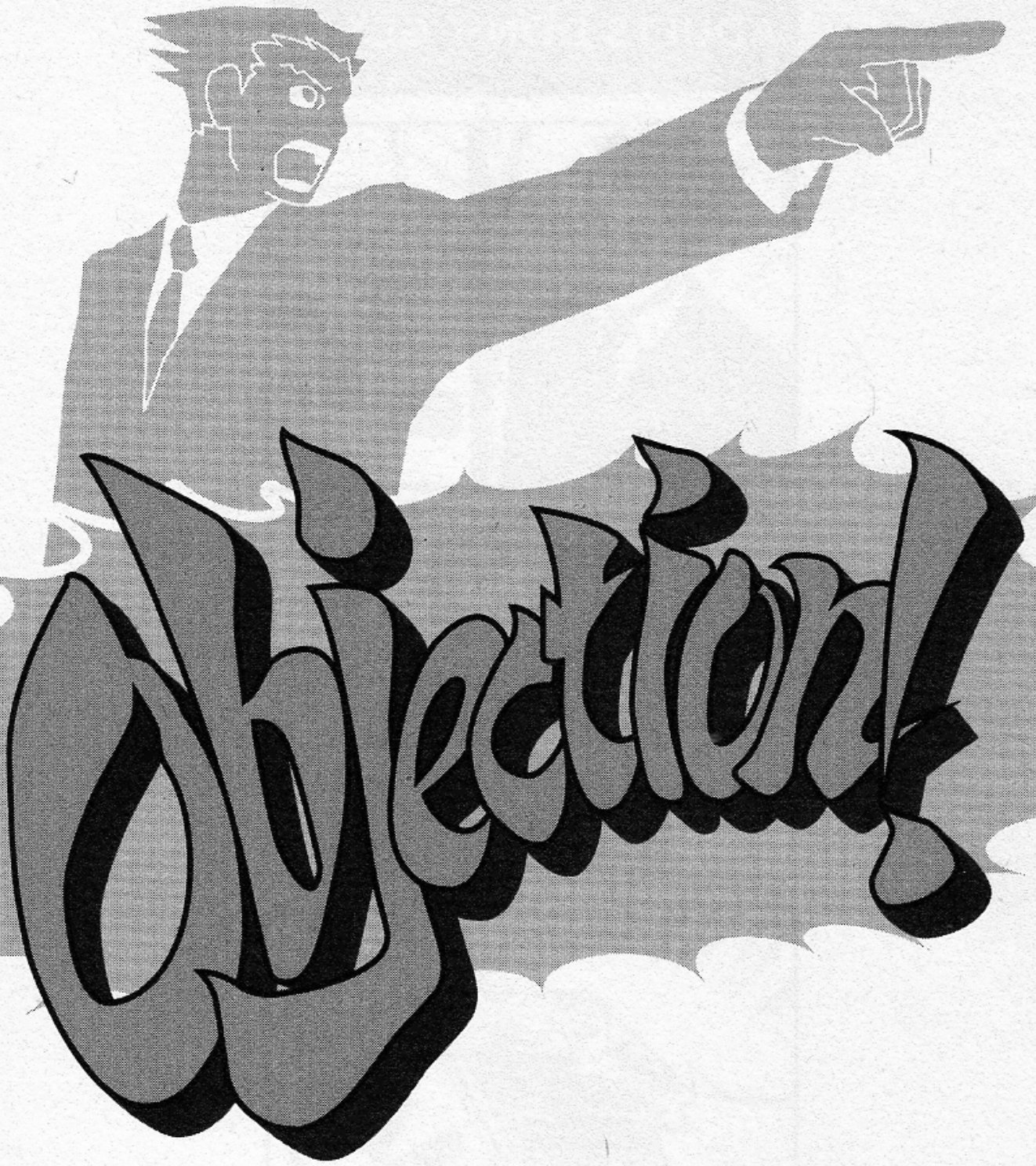
AAUGH! YOU
OPENED IT!

REVEAL!

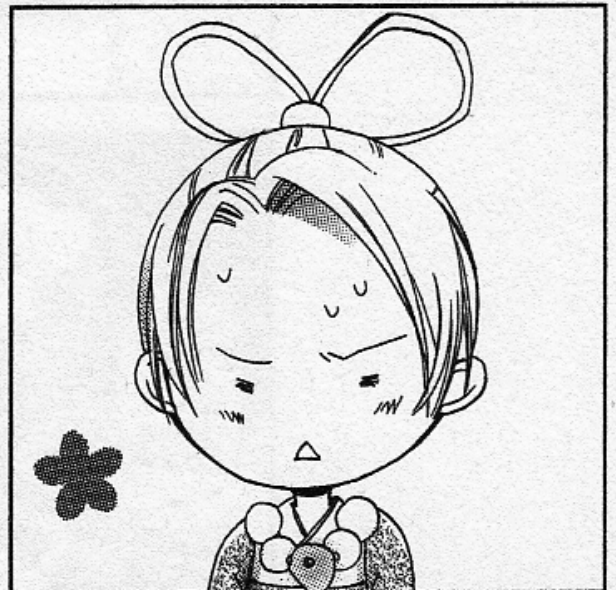
AND I'LL
PROVE IT!

EDGEWORTH!
I DIDN'T SEE
YOUR PAPERS!





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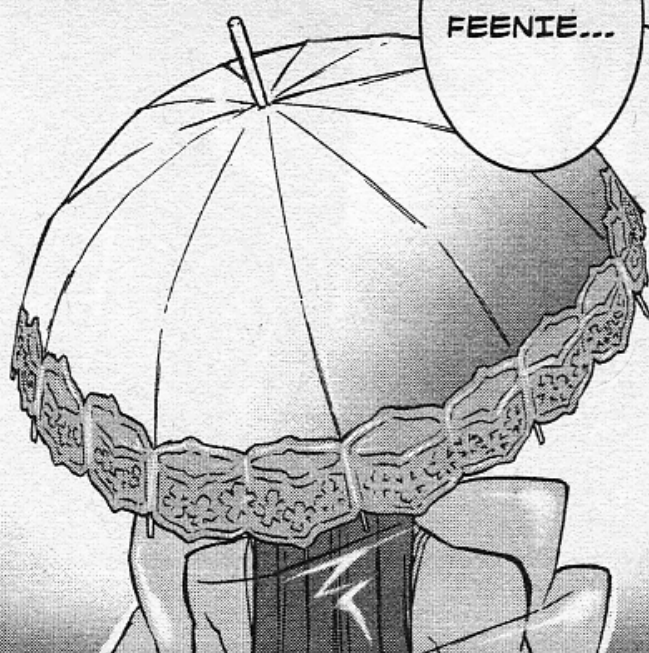
ADULTS DON'T GET IT





MOTIVE POWER BY NARUZÔ





FEENIE...

-CK!

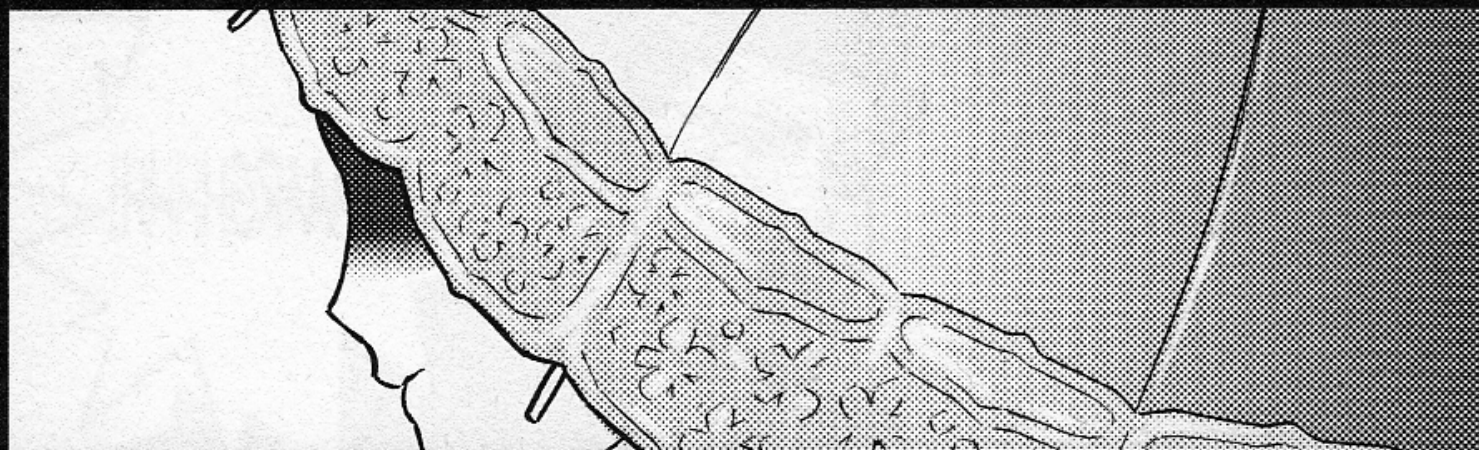
-CK!

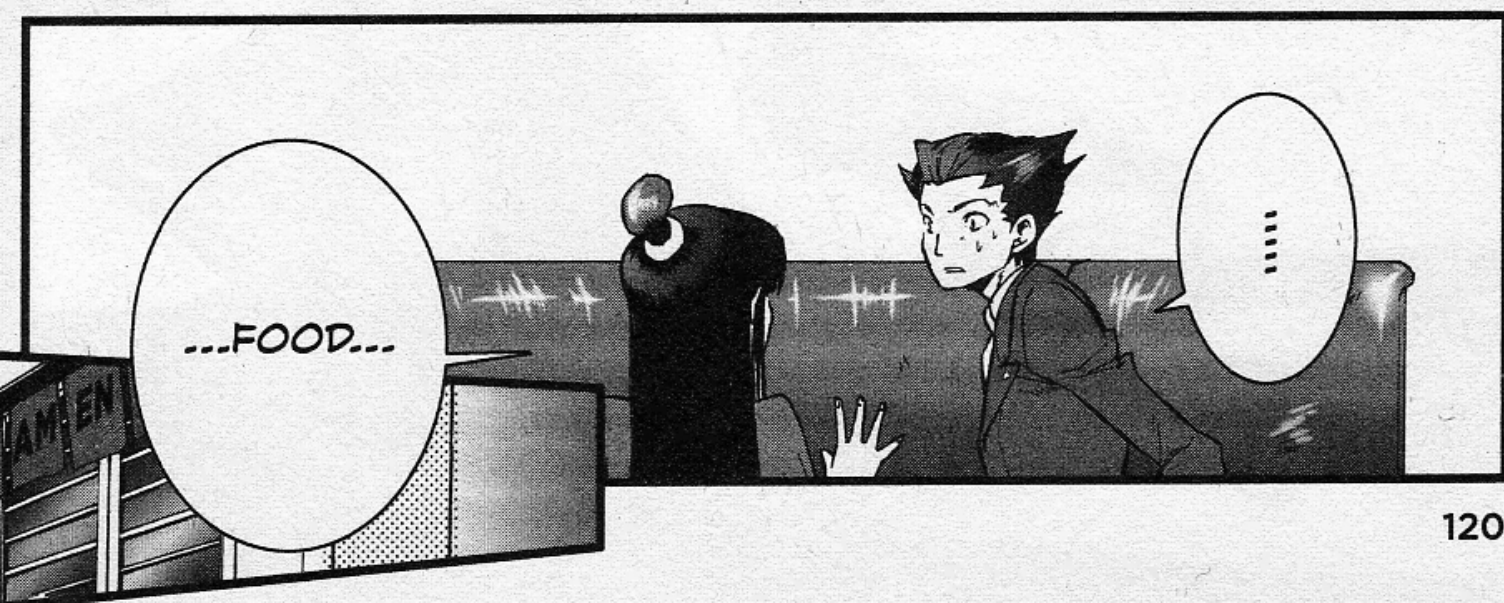
DOLLIE!

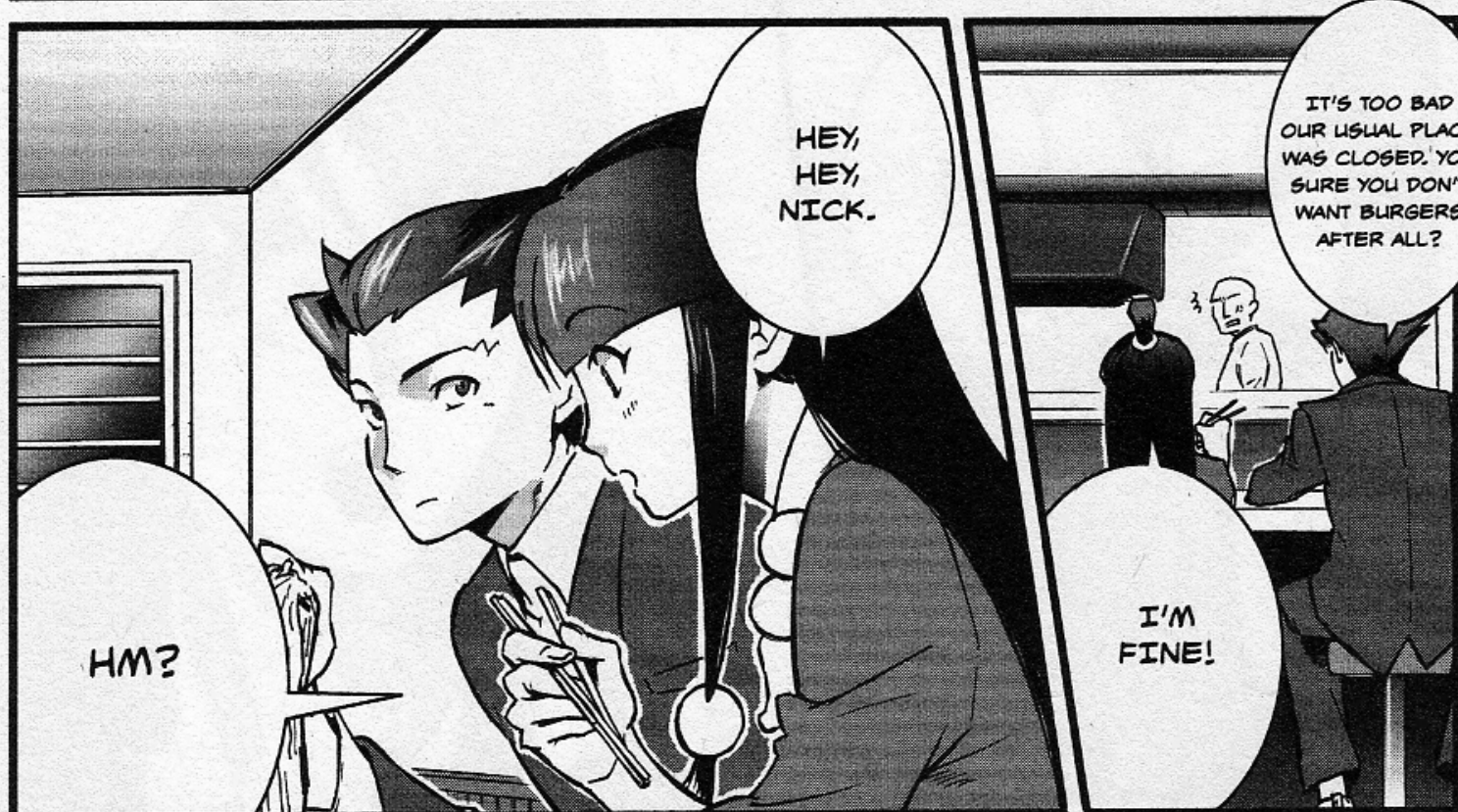
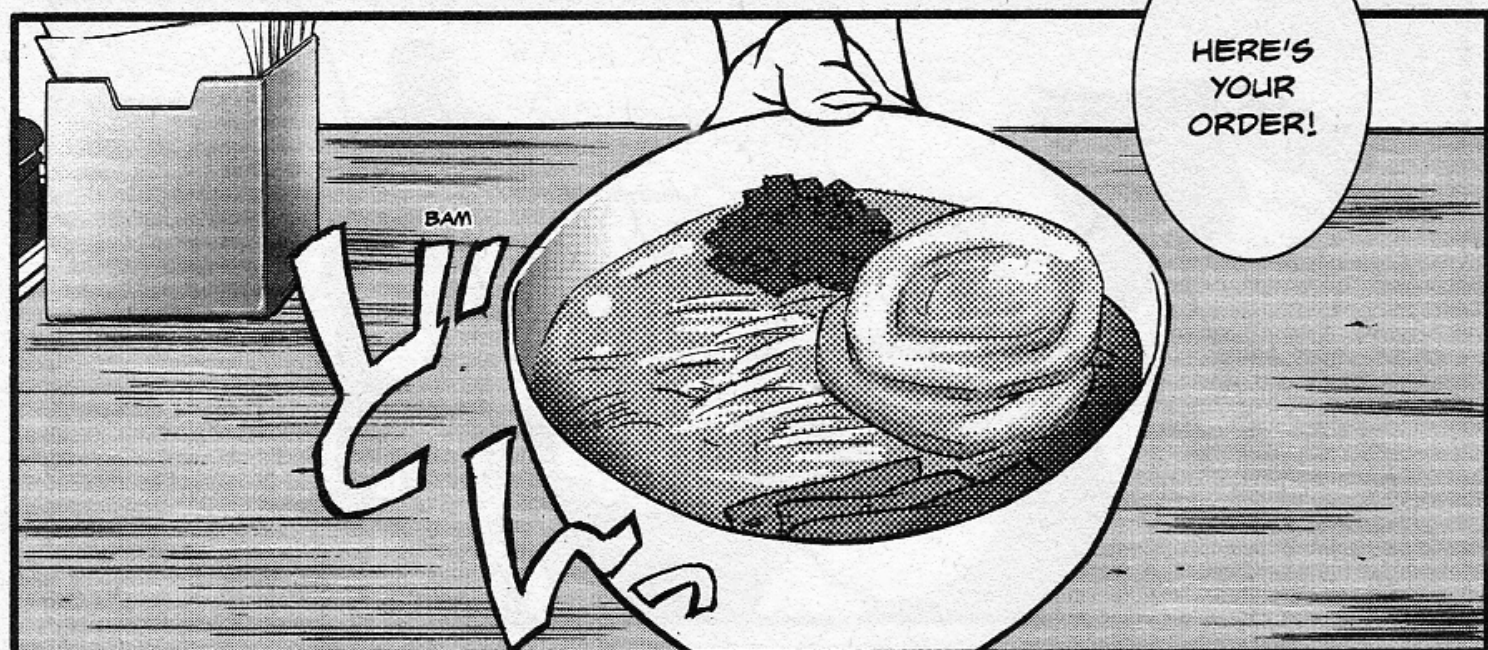
DOLLIE!

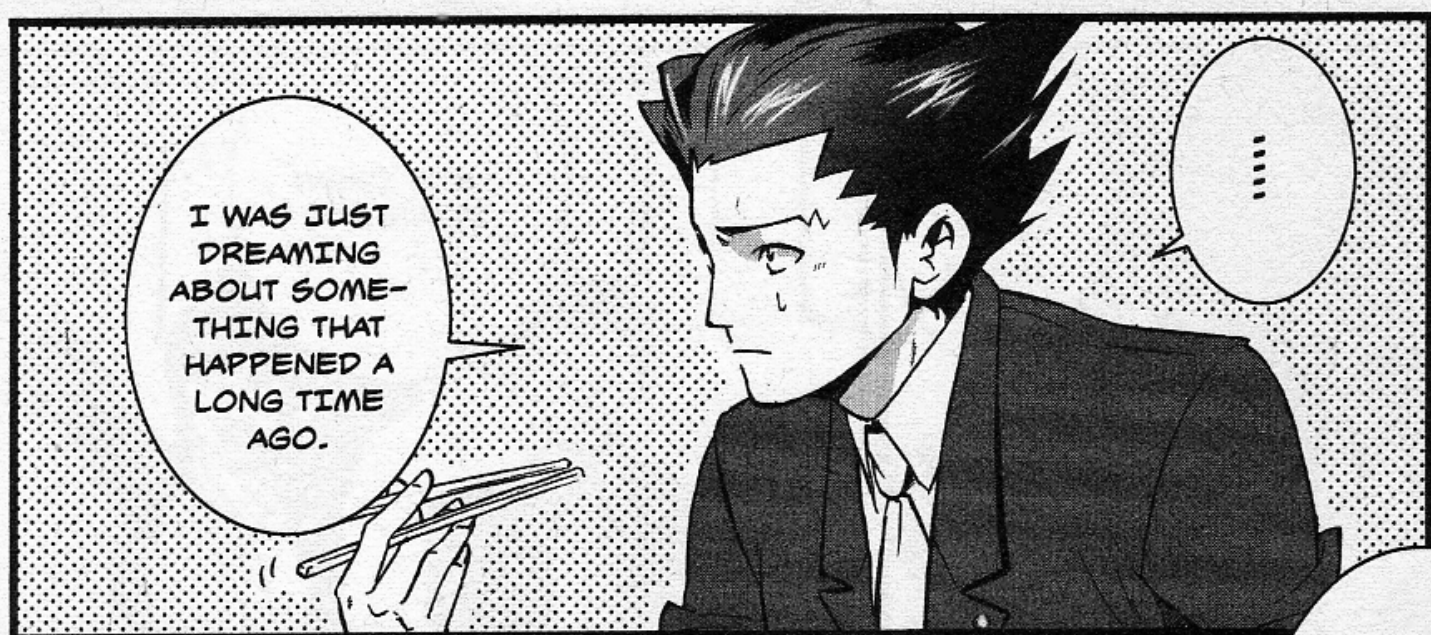
STOP

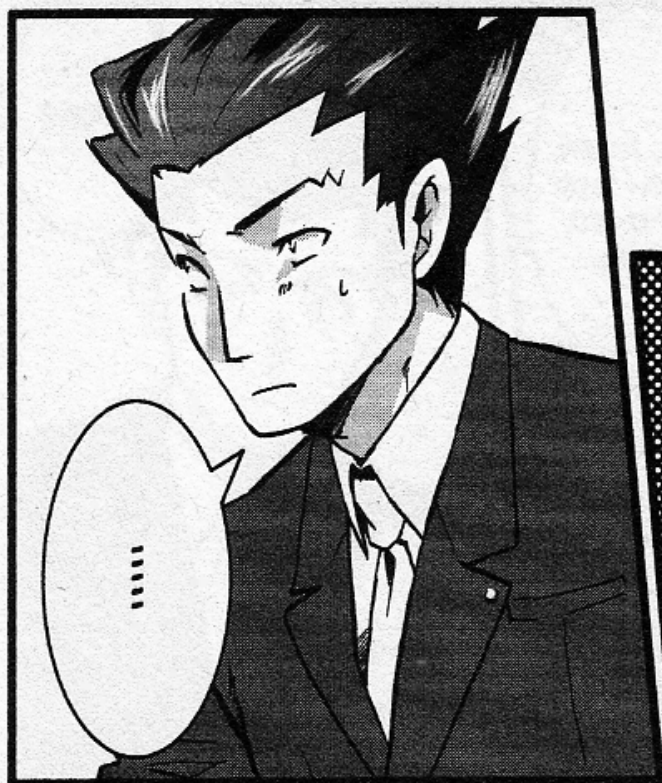
WAIT!











ACTUALLY...



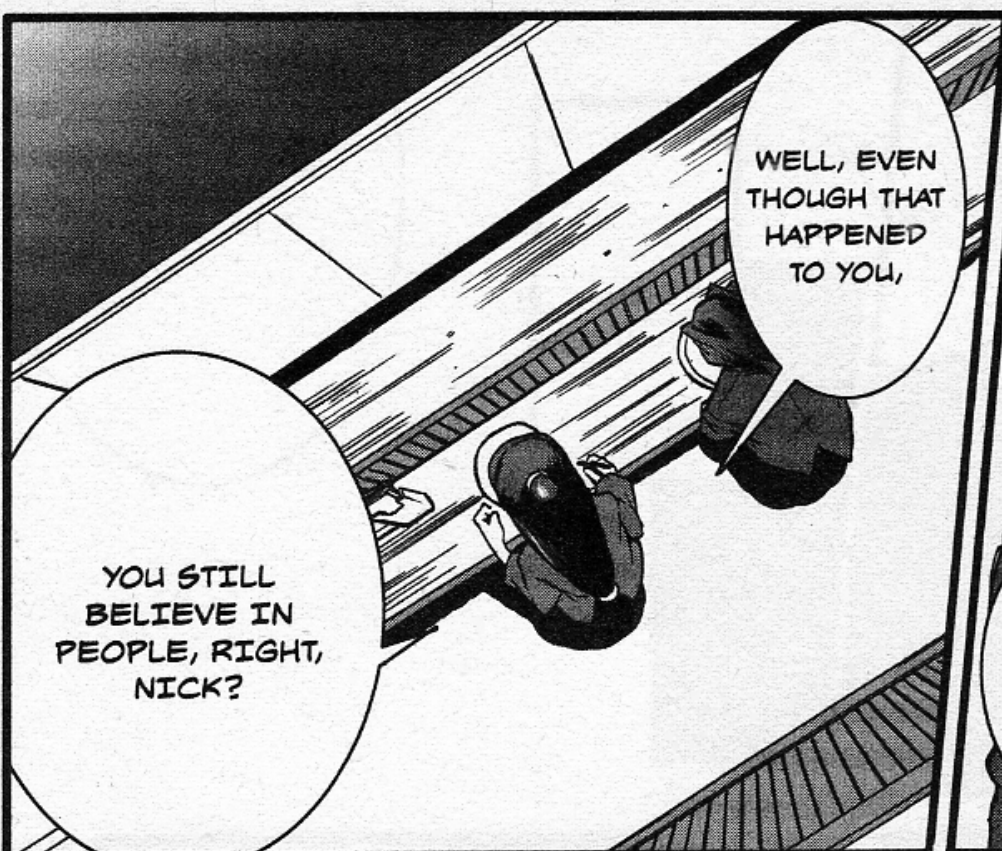
WOW.

I DIDN'T
KNOW
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT
HAPPENED
TO YOU!



BUT

YOU REALLY
ARE INCRED-
IBLE, NICK.



YOU STILL BELIEVE IN PEOPLE, RIGHT, NICK?

WELL, EVEN THOUGH THAT HAPPENED TO YOU,



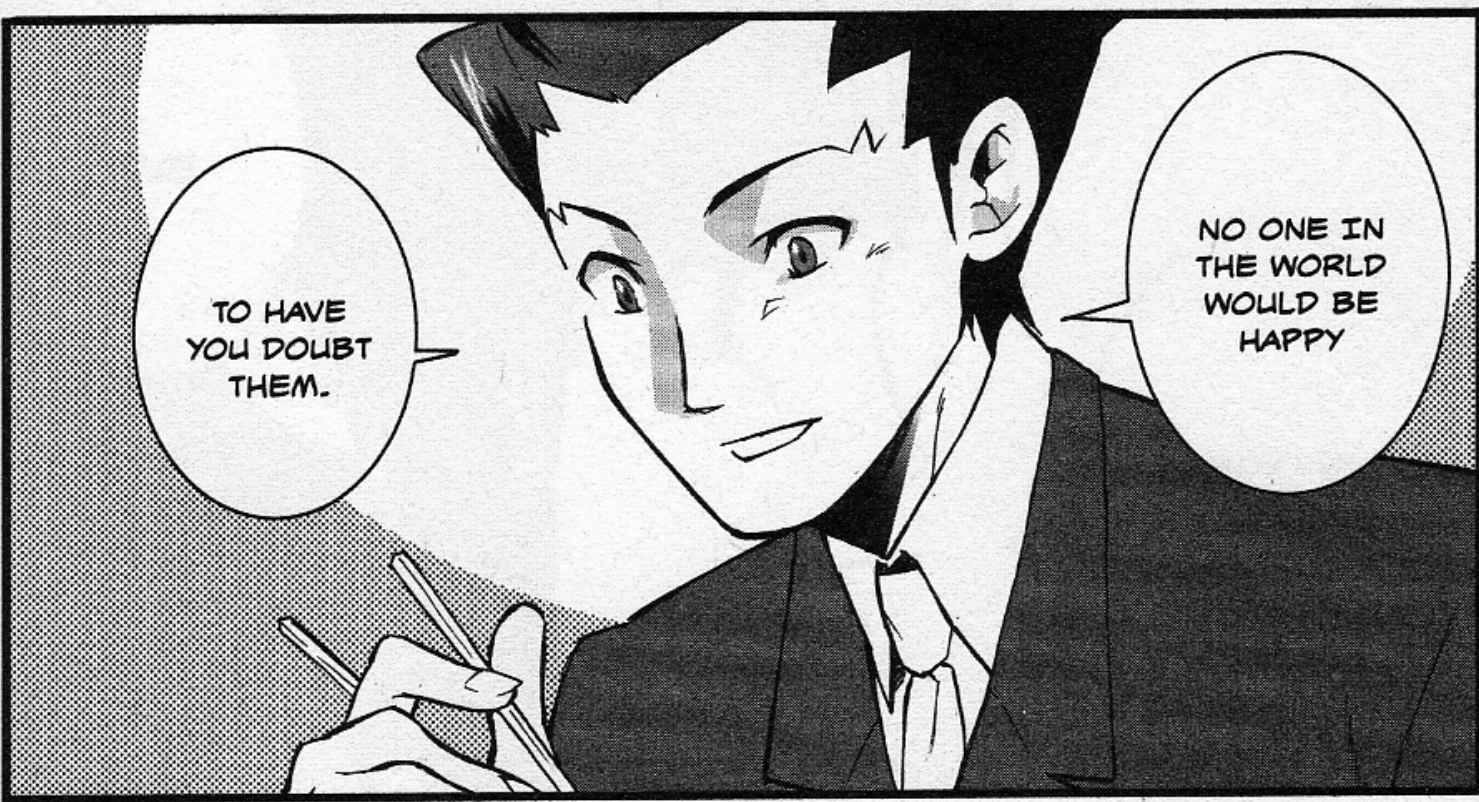
I AM?

HOW?



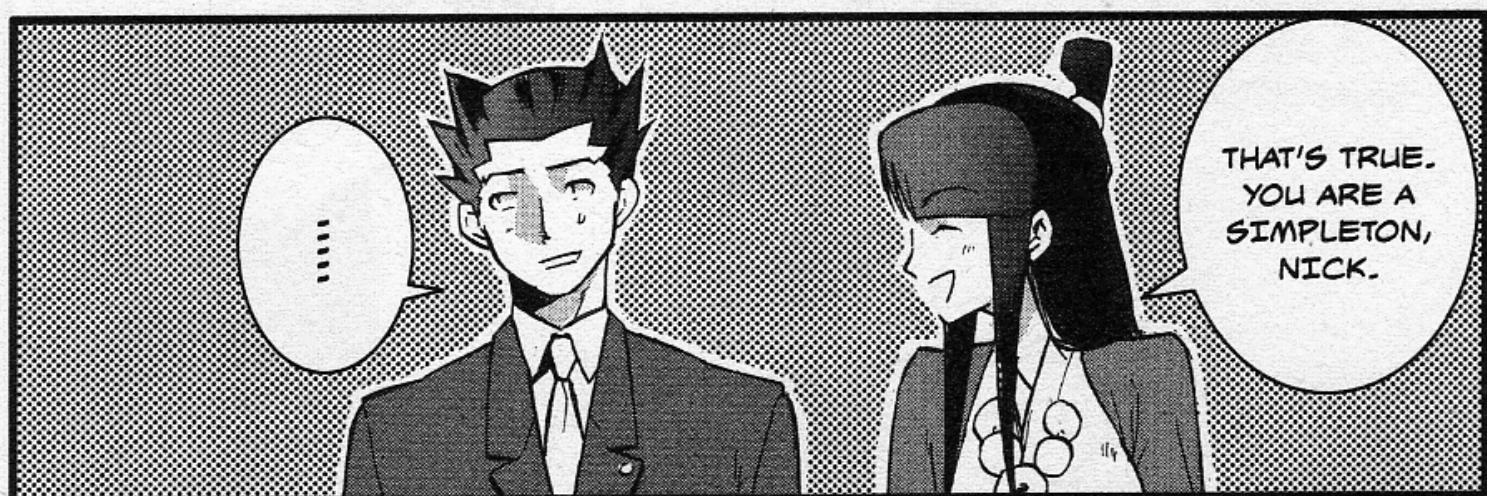
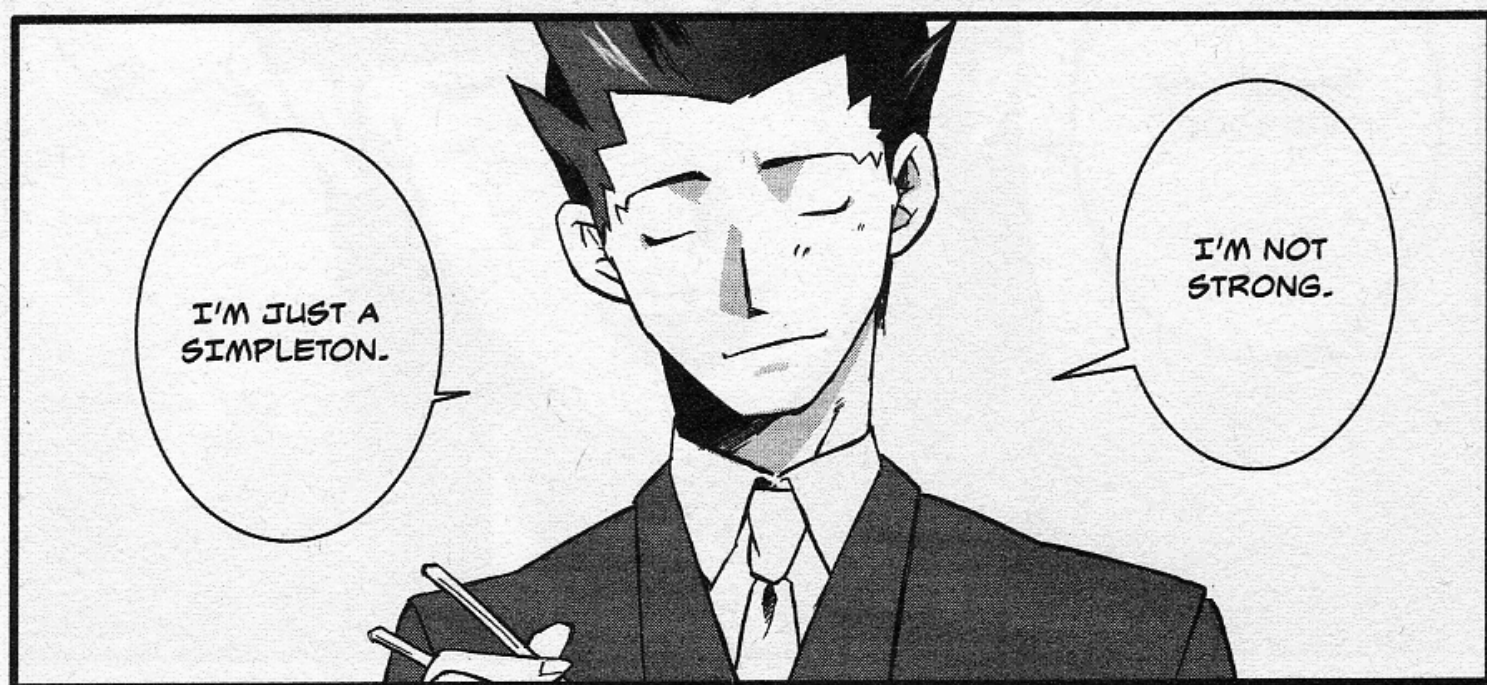
I GUESS BECAUSE LIFE'S BETTER WHEN YOU BELIEVE IN PEOPLE.

HMMMM...

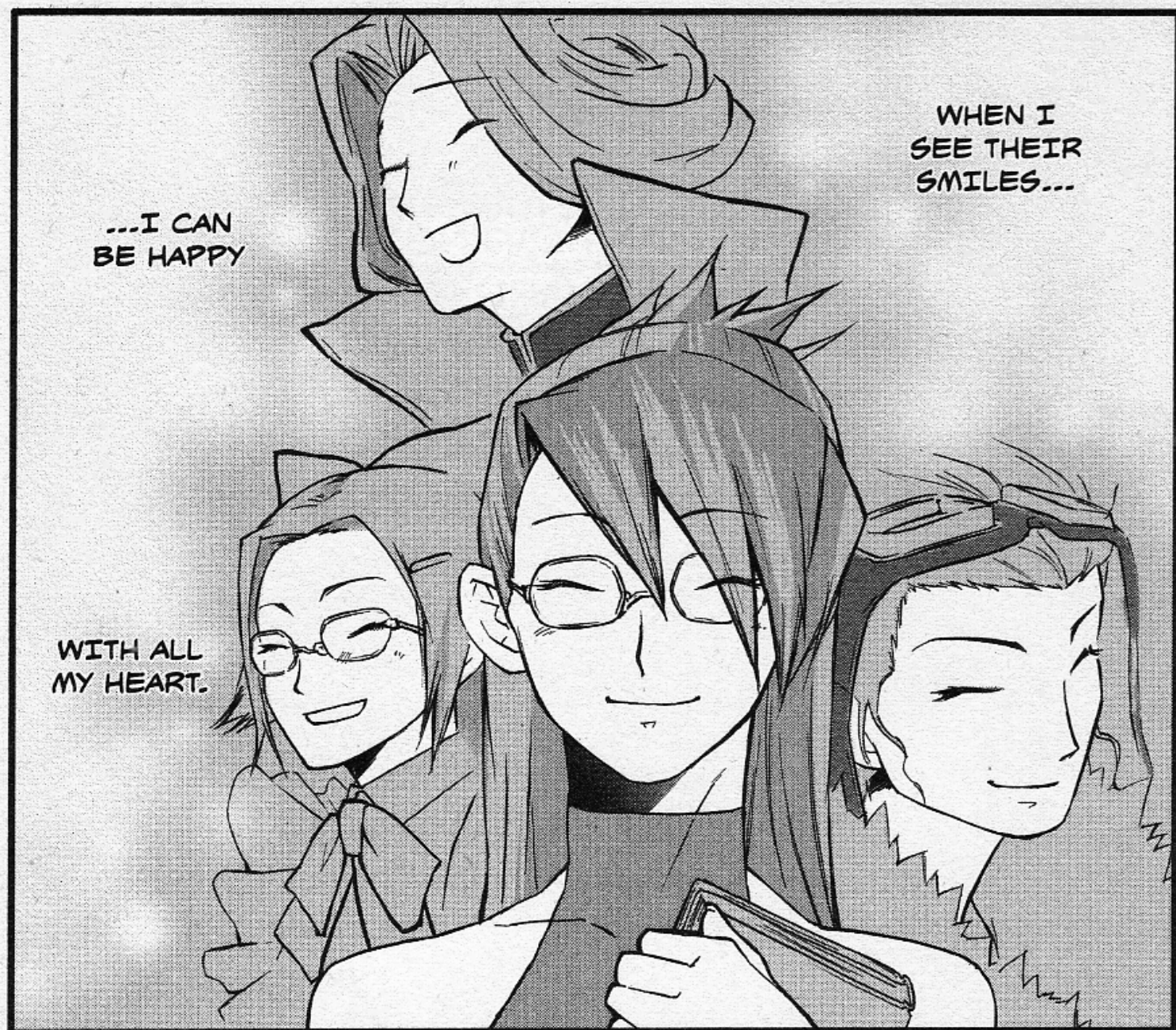


TO HAVE YOU DOUBT THEM.

NO ONE IN THE WORLD WOULD BE HAPPY





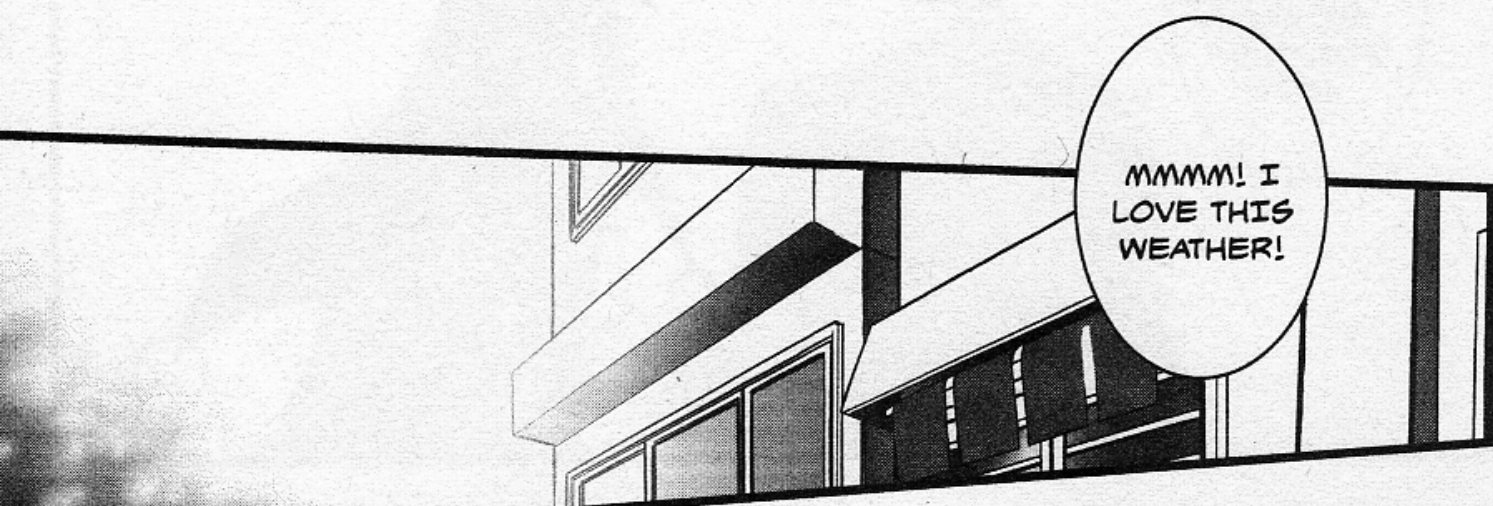


...I CAN
BE HAPPY

WHEN I
SEE THEIR
SMILES...

WITH ALL
MY HEART.

THAT'S WHY I AM...



MMMM! I
LOVE THIS
WEATHER!

**STILL MOVING
FORWARD.**

WHAT!?
DIDN'T
WE JUST
EAT?

I HAVE A
SEPARATE
STOMACH
FOR DES-
SERT!

WHAT'LL
WE EAT
NEXT,
NICK?

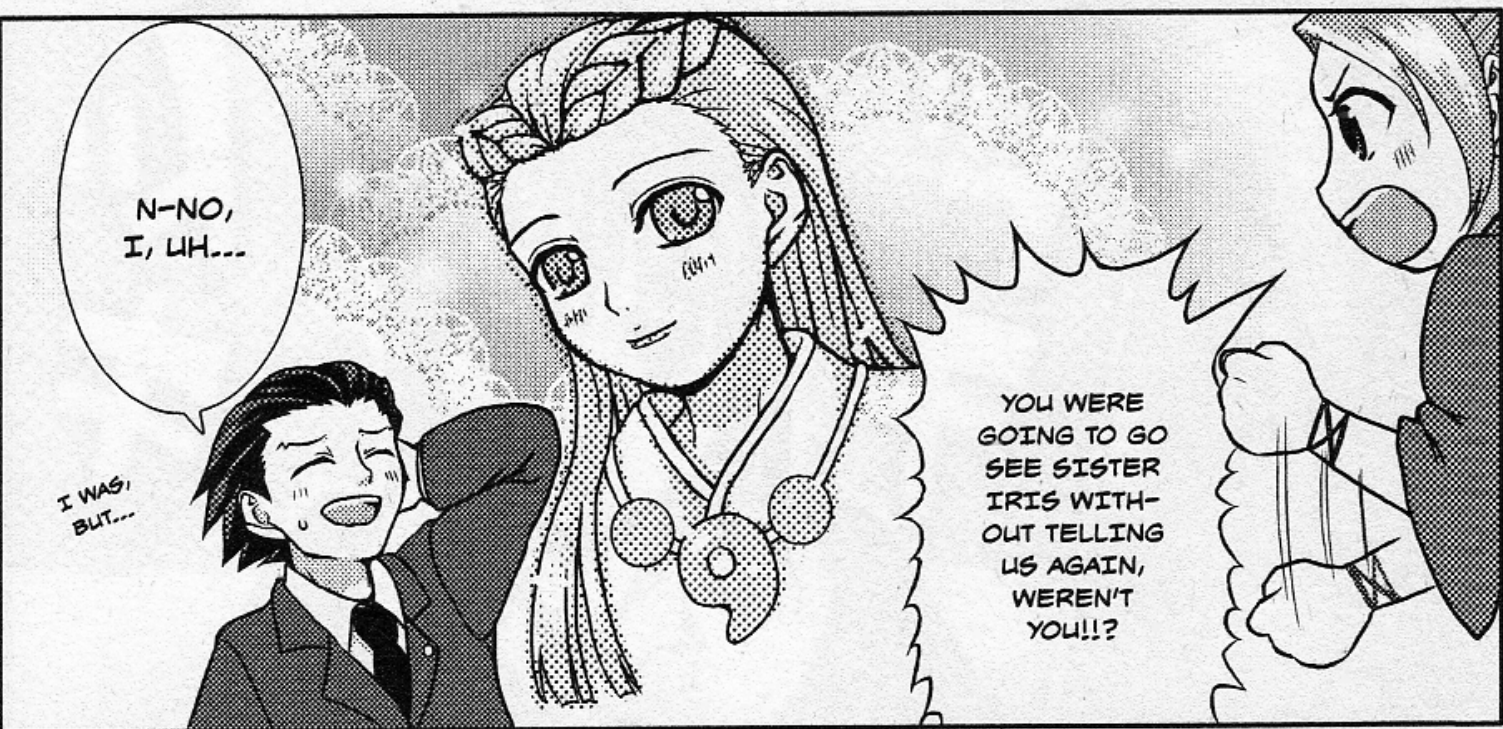
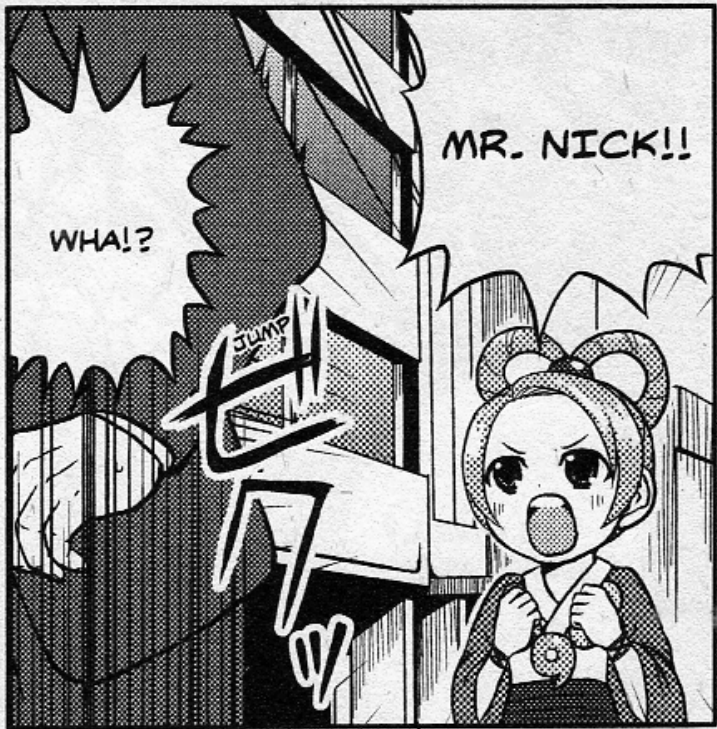
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DA-DUN

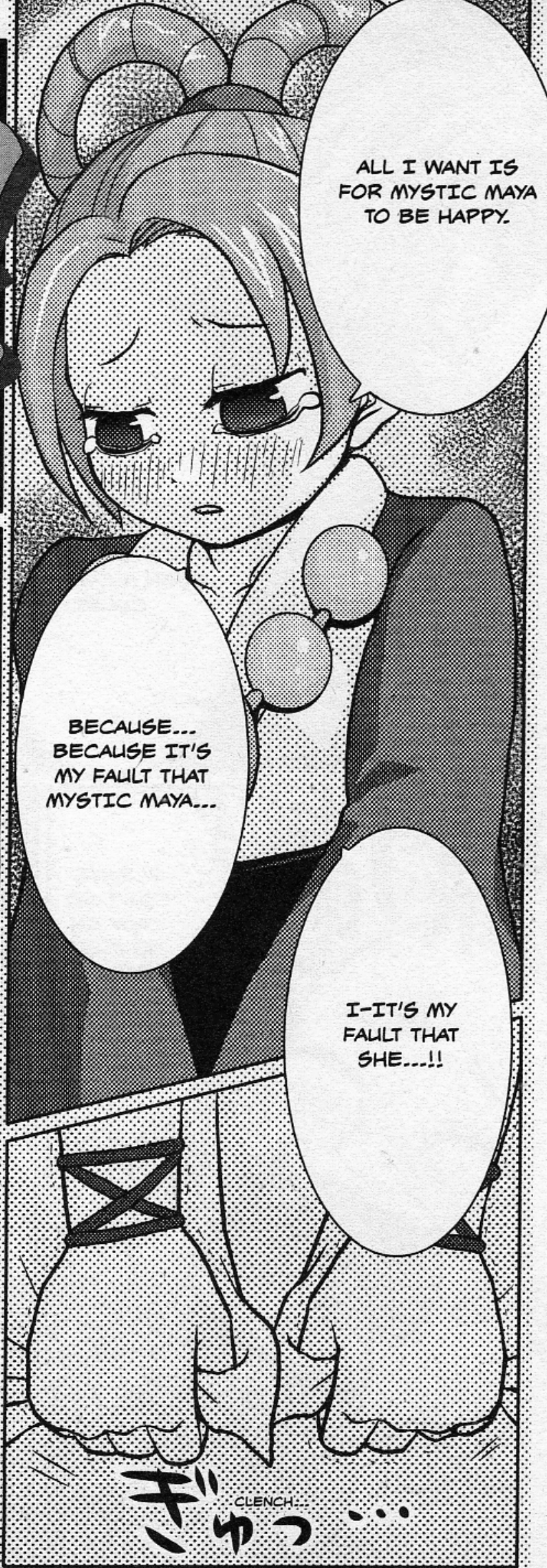
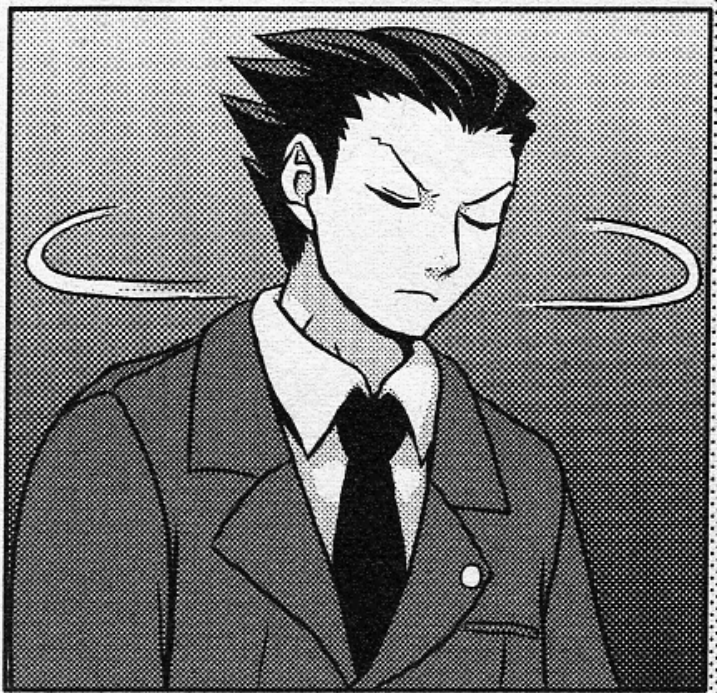
THE WARRIOR OF NEO OLDE TOKYO!

THE STEEL SAMURAI!!*

TURNABOUT DAY OFF
BY YûYA KUROGAMI



Objection!

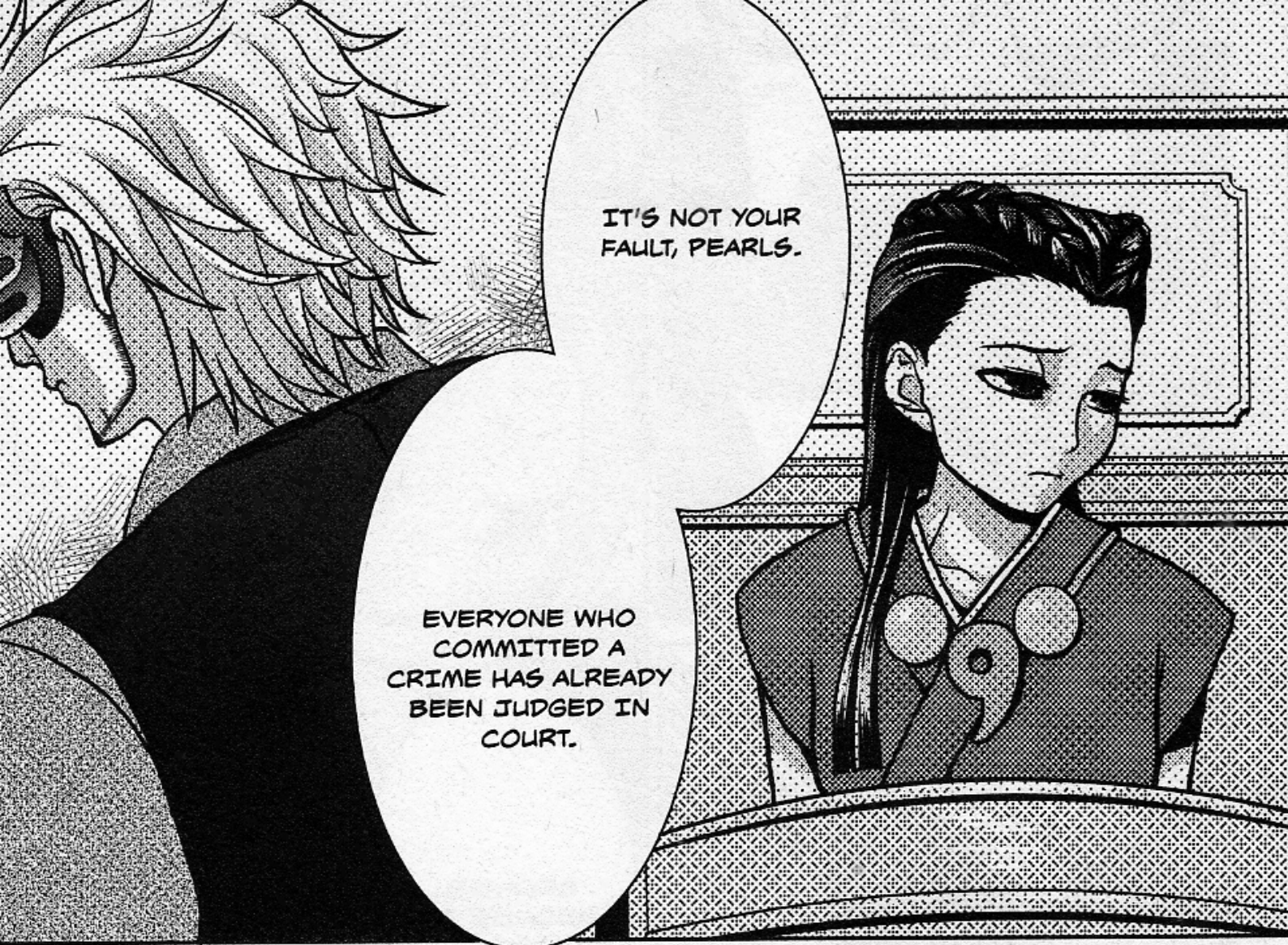


ALL I WANT IS
FOR MYSTIC MAYA
TO BE HAPPY.

BECAUSE...
BECAUSE IT'S
MY FAULT THAT
MYSTIC MAYA...

I-IT'S MY
FAULT THAT
SHE...!!

CLENCH...
びゅっ...



IT'S NOT YOUR
FAULT, PEARLS.

EVERYONE WHO
COMMITTED A
CRIME HAS ALREADY
BEEN JUDGED IN
COURT.



PLEASE
DON'T GO
EASY ON
ME JUST
BECAUSE
I'M A
CHILD!!

DO YOU
HAVE "PROOF"
THAT I'M
INNOCENT!?

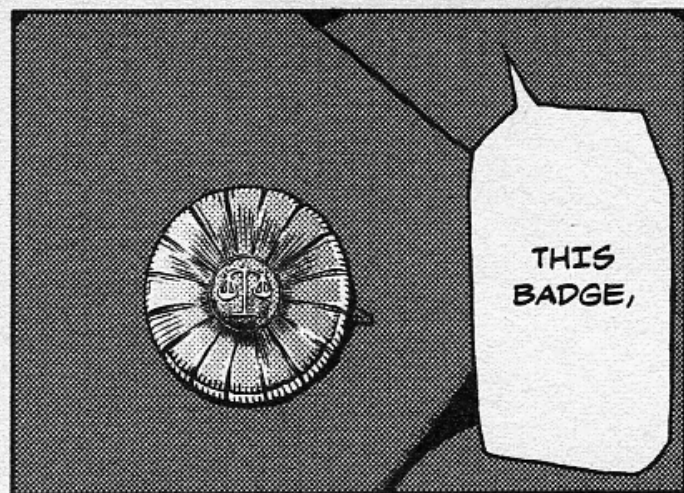


B-
BUT...!




CAN YOU
PROVE
IT...!?

C...



THERE'S NO
WAY THAT I,
DEFENSE
ATTORNEY
PHOENIX
WRIGHT,
WOULD NOT
HAVE IN-
DICTED
YOU!!


IN OTHER
WORDS, IF
YOU HAD
COMMITTED
THE SMALL-
EST CRIME,
PEARLS,




OR SOME-
ONE DEAR
TO SOMEONE
CLOSE TO ME.

SOME-
ONE WHO
HELPED
ME,


WHETHER
IT BE



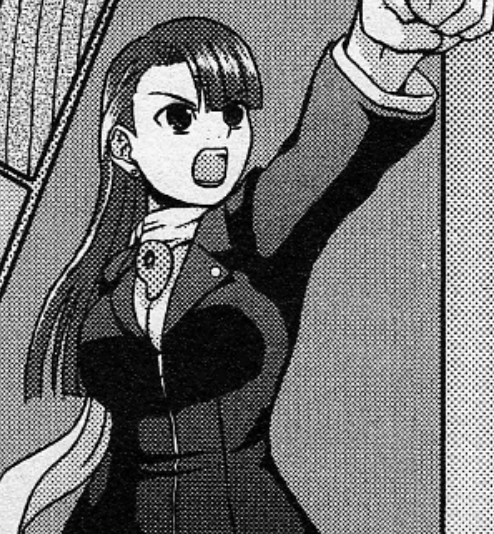
THEN
I WILL
DEFEND
YOU, NO
MATTER
WHAT.



SO IF ANYONE
SAYS TO YOU,
"YOU'RE GUILTY!"
PEARLS,

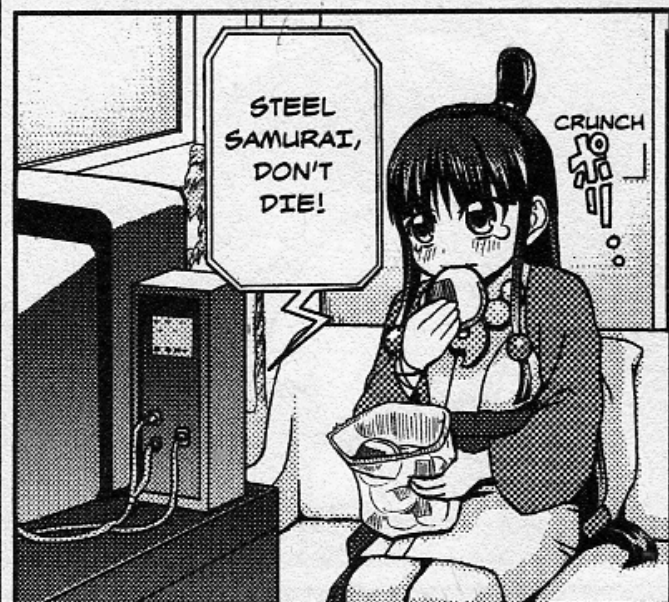


BUT AT THE
SAME TIME,
I CAN'T ALLOW
THEM TO RUN
FROM CRIMES
THEY THEM-
SELVES
COMMITTED.



AS A
DEFENSE
ATTORNEY,
I PROTECT
PEOPLE FROM
UNJUST
ACCUSATIONS,





YOU ARE SO
VERY KIND.

THAT IS
EXACTLY WHY

HUH?

NOW
IT'S YOUR
TURN,
MR. NICK.

BOUNCE
ひょん

R-REALLY?

WELL
THEN!

SHE'S
MAKING
ME BLUSH.

WHA!?

WHIP
セッ

YOU ARE
GUILTY OF
CARRYING ON
AN AFFAIR!!

NO, IT'S
NOT LIKE
THAT BE-
TWEEN IRIS
AND ME.

Hold
etc!

S-SO
WE'RE
BACK TO
THAT, ARE
WE...!?

GRAAAHHH!!

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STUNN

SISTER
IRIS HAS
SISTER
BIKINI!!

BUT LOOK,
MAYA HAS YOU,
PEARLS.

MYSTIC
MAYA IS
HURTING,
TOO!

AND
I'M JUST
GOING TO
SEE IRIS
BECAUSE I
THINK SHE
MIGHT BE
HURTING
AFTER THAT
INCIDENT...

I-IT'S
NOT LIKE I
WAS KEEP-
ING IT A
SECRET...

THEN WHY
DO YOU GO
TO SEE HER
WITHOUT
TELLING
MYSTIC
MAYA?

I WAS
MOSTLY
KEEPING
IT SECRET
FROM
PEARLS...

!!

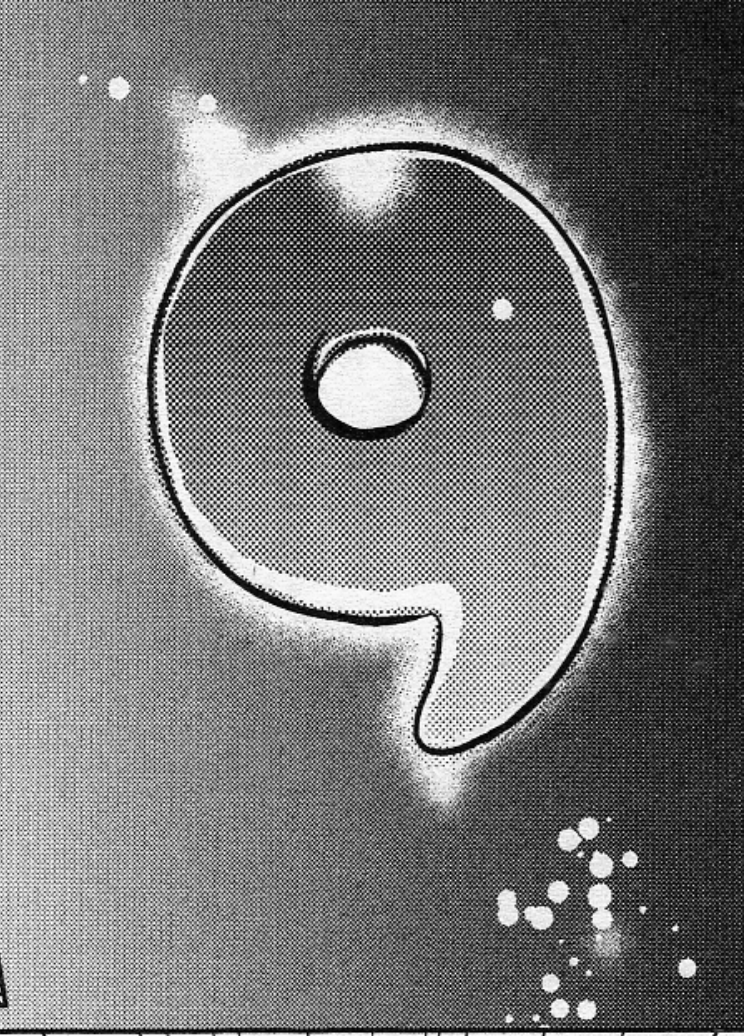
THAT'S IT!
I'LL TURN
THIS TRIAL
AROUND!

I DON'T
WANT TO KEEP
DENYING MY
RELATION-
SHIP WITH
IRIS.

I
JUST NEED
TO SHOW HER
"EVIDENCE"
THAT CAN
PROVE WHAT
MAYA MEANS
TO ME!

URK!
AT THIS
RATE,
SHE'LL
NEVER SEE
THINGS MY
WAY...

Take
that!

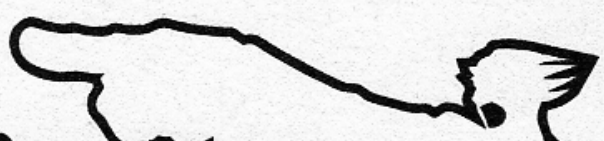




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Objection!



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Attorney

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Objection!

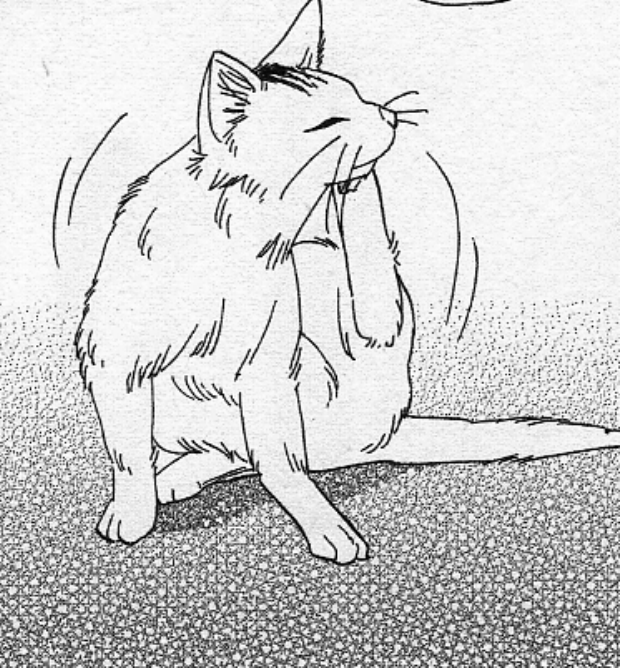
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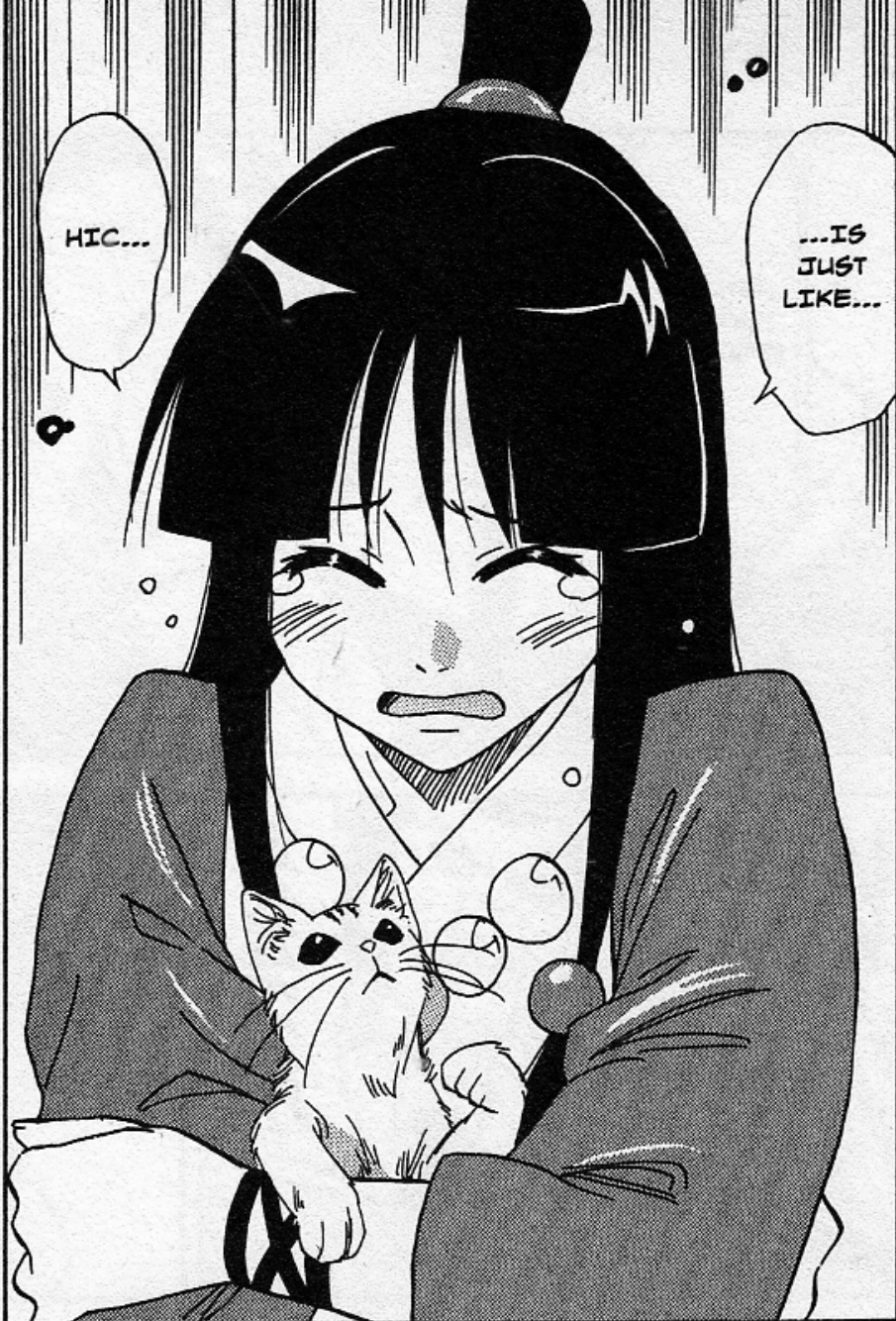




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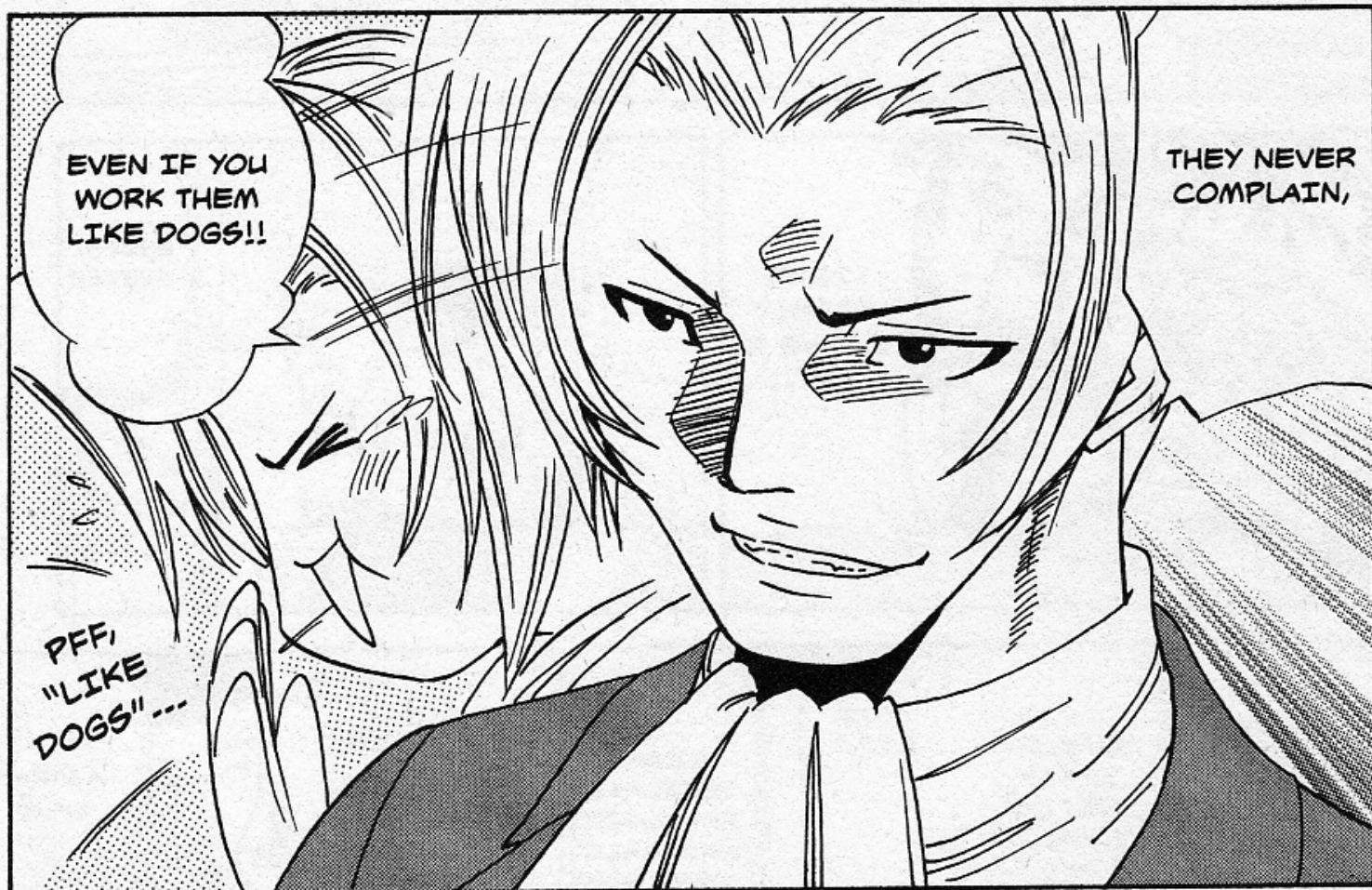


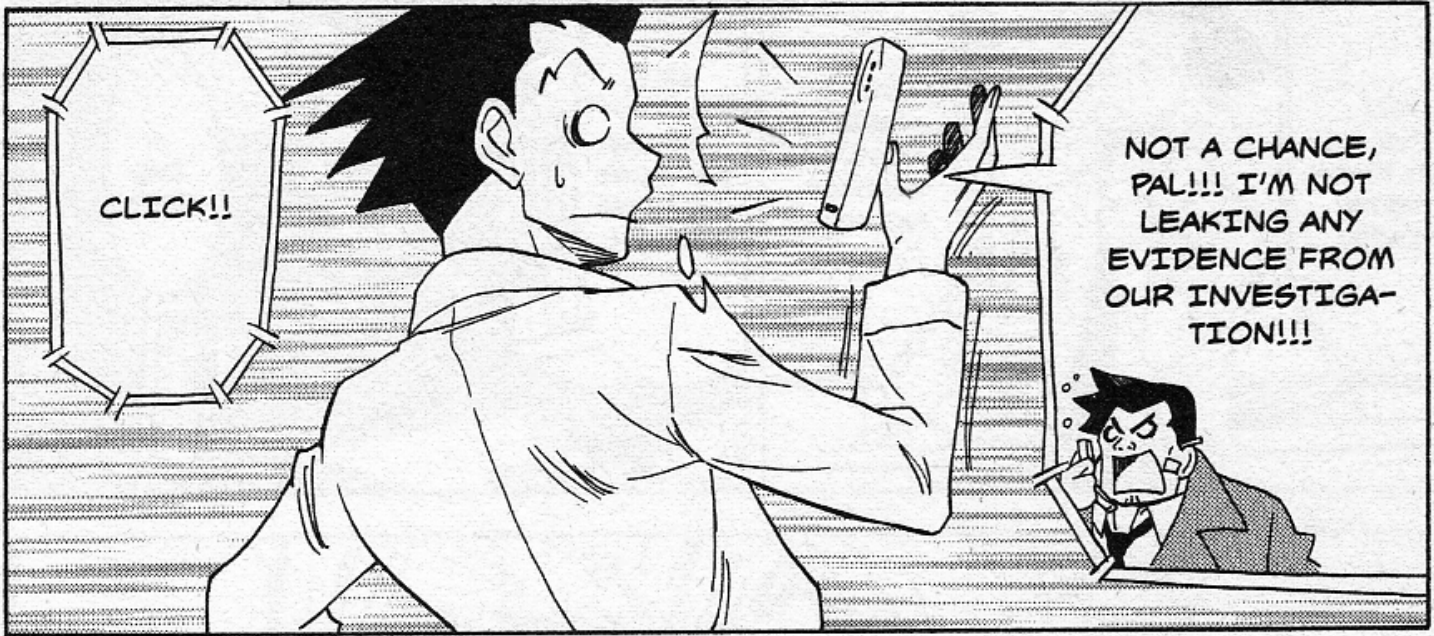






DOGS ARE FINE ANIMALS. LOYAL! FAITHFUL!

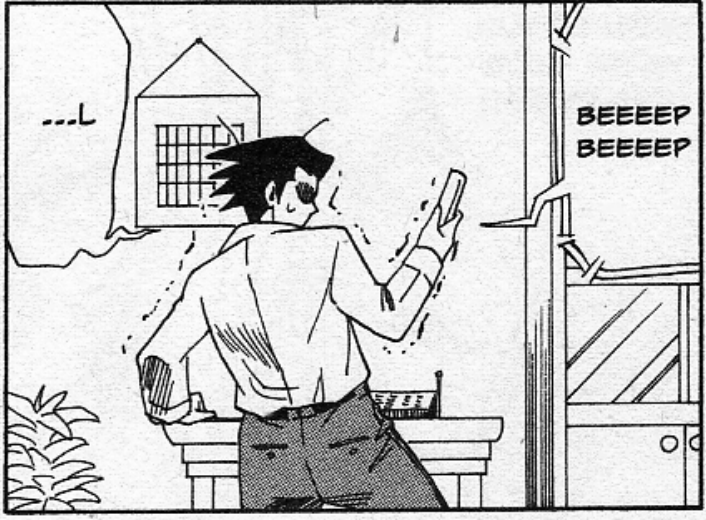




NOT A CHANCE, PAL!!! I'M NOT LEAKING ANY EVIDENCE FROM OUR INVESTIGATION!!!



LISTEN TO WHAT I HAVE TO SAY!!



ALL RIGHT, I'M OFF TO INVESTIGATE!!

BUT FIRST, COULD WE FIND SOMEONE TO TAKE THE CAT IN...?

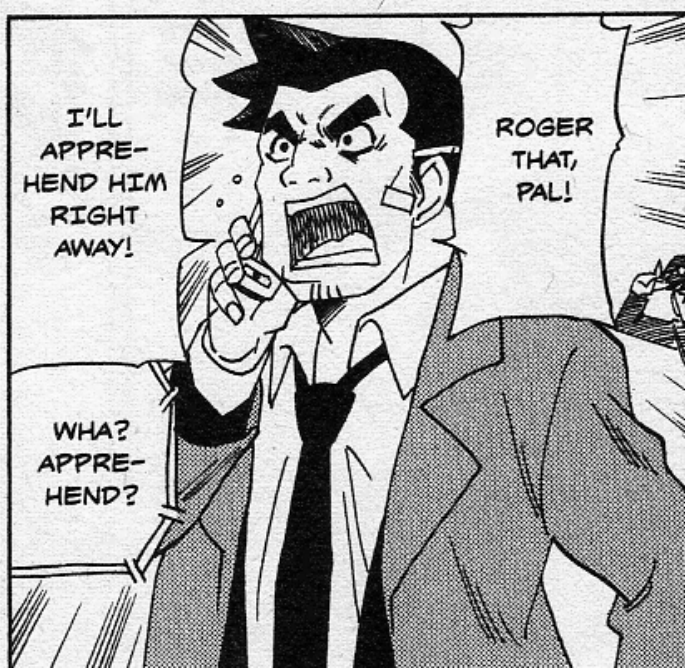
Y-YEAH, GOOD POINT.

I CAN'T FORGIVE A PET OWNER WHO WOULD THROW AWAY A LIVING CREATURE!!



YES, I'M LOOKING FOR AN OWNER...

A STRAY CAT!?

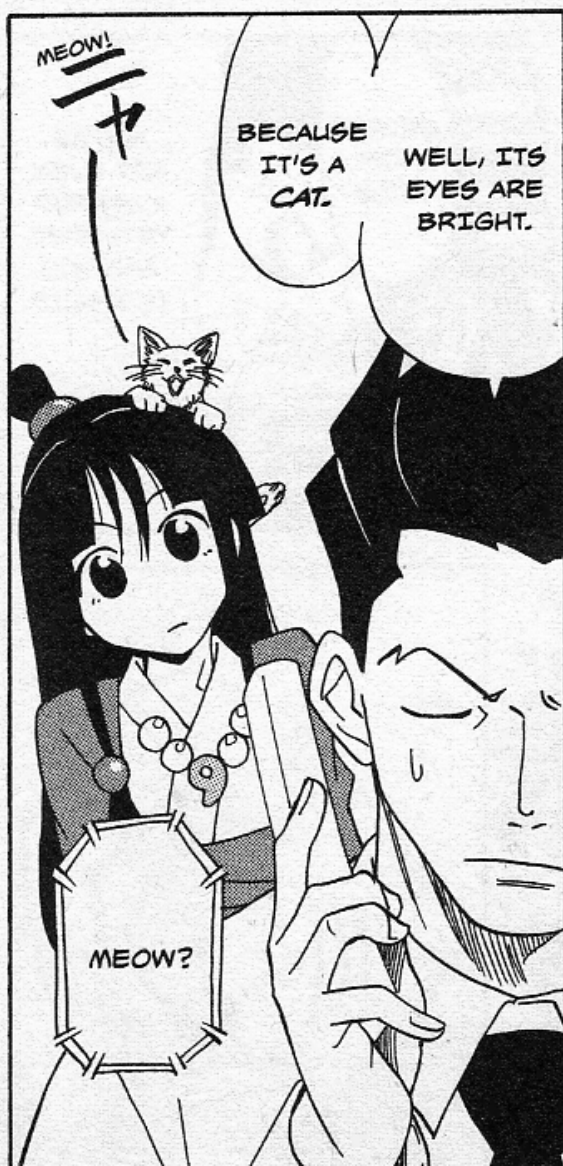
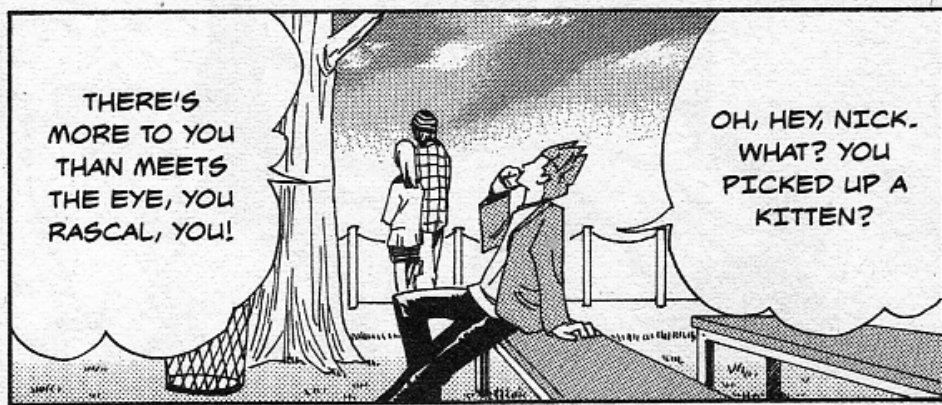


I'LL APPREHEND HIM RIGHT AWAY!

ROGER THAT, PAL!

WHA? APPREHEND?







IT'S NOT MY
FAULT! YOU
IMAGINED
ALL THAT
STUFF ON
YOUR OWN!

A REAL
CAT!!?
YOU
TRICKED
ME,
NICK!!!

I DON'T
WANT THAT
STUPID
CAT, *STU-
PID!!*

YOU MADE
ME SHOUT
ALL THOSE
OUTRAGEOUS
THINGS OUT
IN PUBLIC
WHERE
EVERYONE
CAN HEAR
ME!!!



WHA'D
I DO
...!?

WAAHH!
WHAT'S
THE BIG
IDEA!?

YOU'RE
UNDER
ARREST,
PAL!!

DICK GUMSHOE
DOESN'T NEED
TO GIVE HIS
NAME TO SOME
LOWLIFE WHO
WOULD ABANDON
A CAT!!

WHA?
WHO ARE
YOU?

YOU DON'T
WANT THAT
CAT, HUH? SO IT
WAS YOU, PAL?

BAM
CRASH!!

GRAB

WHIP

DU-DUN



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ΣOM3



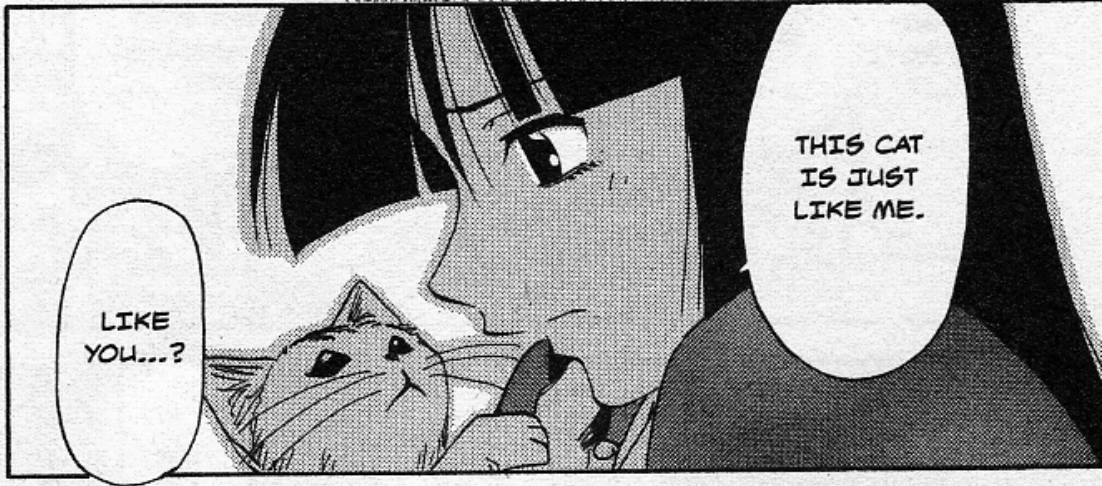
ONE
AFTER
ANOTHER

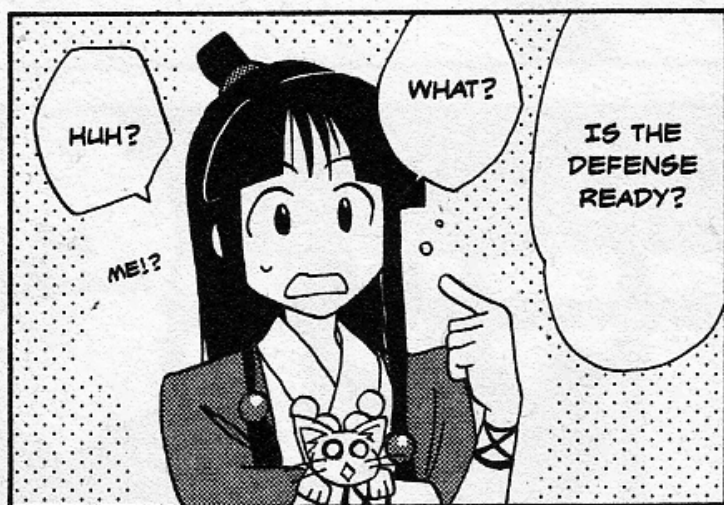
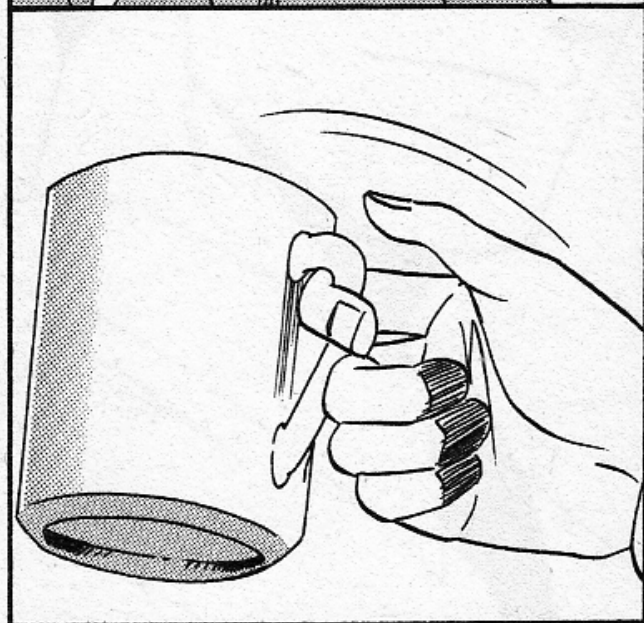
HA
HA
HA



CLICK

BEEEEP
BEEEEP







I'LL ALLOW
YOU TO
KEEP HIM.



UH, LET'S
CHANGE
THAT
NAME.

ISN'T THAT
GREAT!?
PHOENIX!!

MEOW!

TOOF

END

THANKS,
NICK!!!

WRIGHT & CO. LAW OFFICES

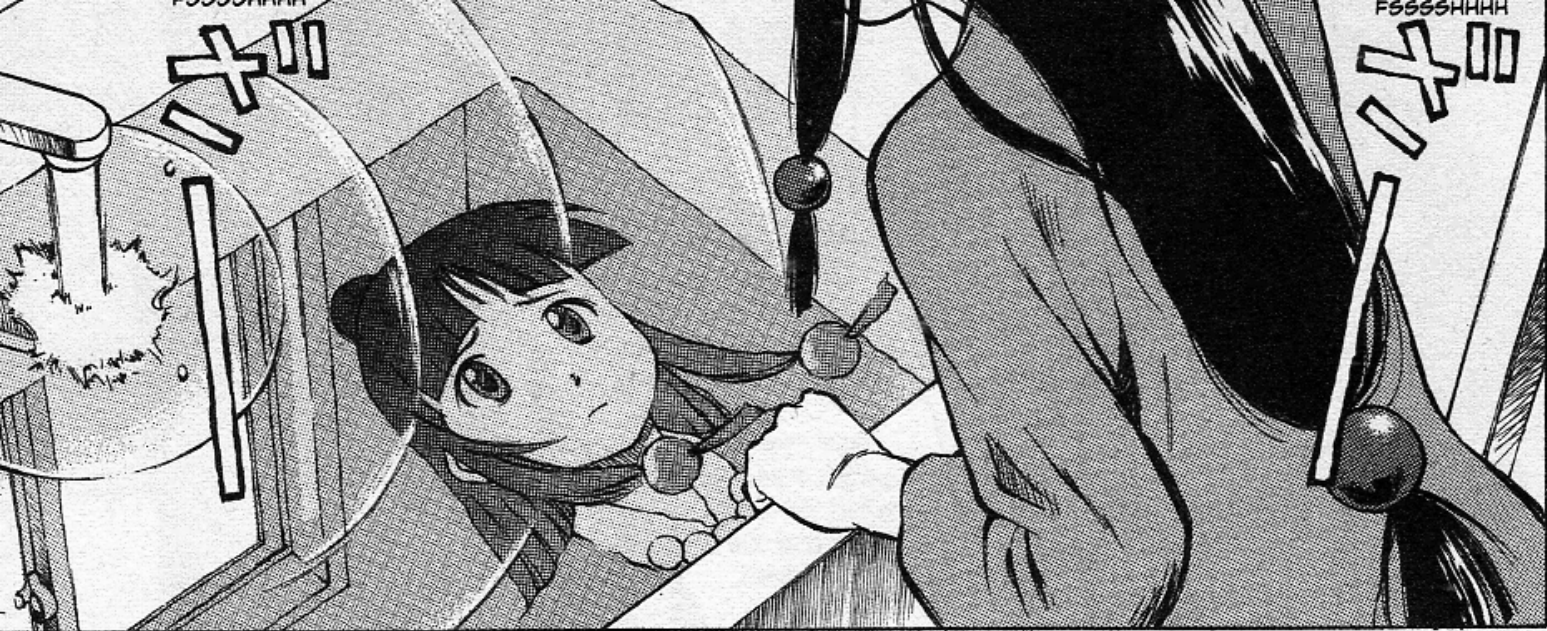
LEAP

R-
REALLY!?

I KNOW
HOW HARD
IT IS TO
BE ALONE,
TOO...

THERE'S
NO HELP
FOR IT.





SPIRIT MEDIUM OR BUST!
BY KAORU OSADA



THIS IS BAD!

YEAH. ONCE THIS TRIAL'S OVER, LET'S GO FIND A WATERFALL OR SOMETH...

BUT THE WATER PRESSURE IN THE SHOWER IS TOO WEAK.

MY CHANNELLING'S BEEN OFF LATELY, SO I WANTED TO SIT UNDER A WATERFALL,



I CAN'T CALL MY SISTER LIKE THIS.



THIS IS GETTING READY!

IT'S OKAY. YOU HAVE TO GET READY FOR YOUR TRIAL, NICK.

WAH!

LET'S GO! WATERFALL! RIGHT NOW!!





THE LOOK ON
YOUR FACE
CLEARLY
SAYS YOU'RE
NOT SATIS-
FIED.

WHAT?

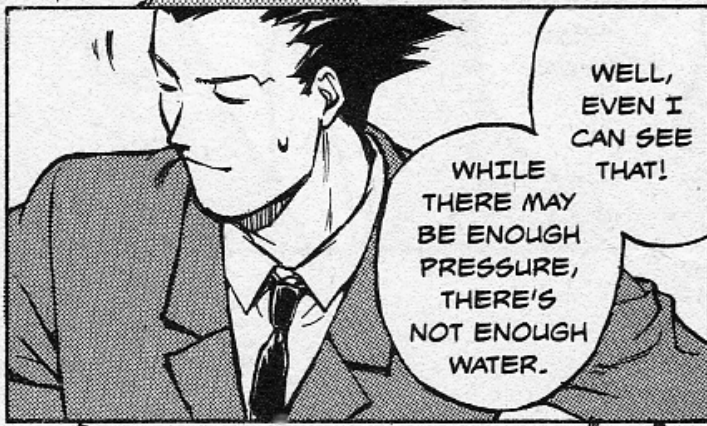


SPLASH



SECRET
WEAP-
ON?

PERHAPS
THE TIME HAS
COME FOR
MY SECRET
WEAPON.



WELL,
EVEN I
CAN SEE
THAT!

WHILE
THERE MAY
BE ENOUGH
PRESSURE,
THERE'S
NOT ENOUGH
WATER.



W-WAIT!
CAN YOU
HOLD THAT
BIG TUB

AFTER
FILLING
IT WITH
WATER,
NICK?



ば

BAM

THIS!!

IT'S
HUGE!

I DON'T
KNOW.

BUT...

THERE'S
SOMETHING I'VE
LEARNED FROM ALL
OF THE HARD BAT-
TLES I'VE FOUGHT
IN COURT.

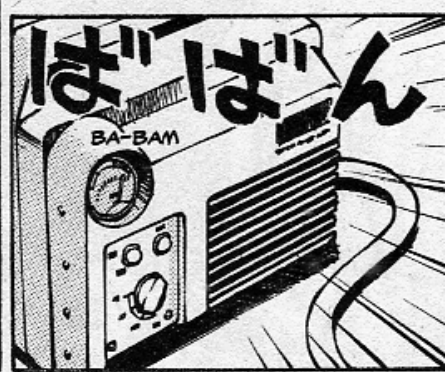




...IS
PLAN B!!



THIS...



BA-BAM



OKAY!!

HERE
WE GO,
MAYA!

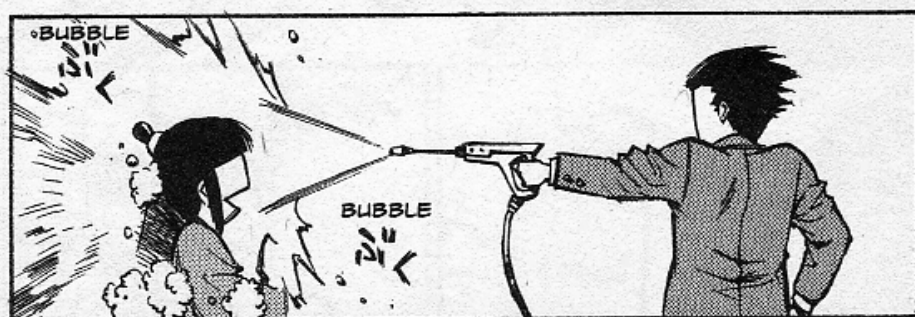
THIS PLAN IS
HARD ON MY
WALLET BUT SOFT
ON MY HEALTH!



AH!
NICK!

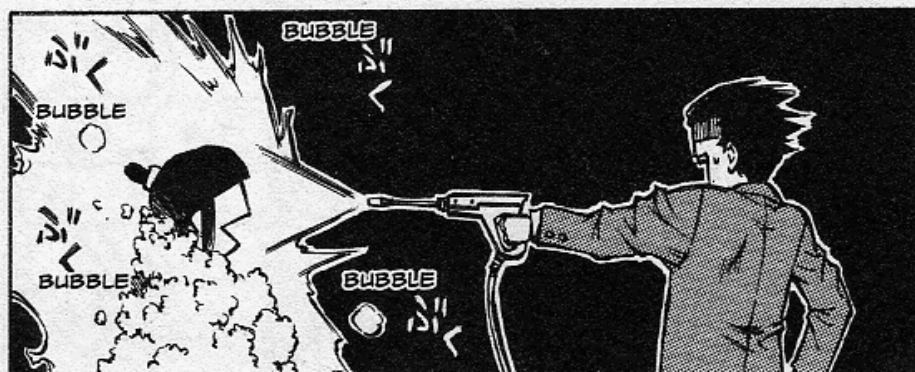
HOW'S
THAT,
MAYA!?

THIS IS
IT! THIS
MIGHT
WORK!!



BUBBLE

BUBBLE



BUBBLE

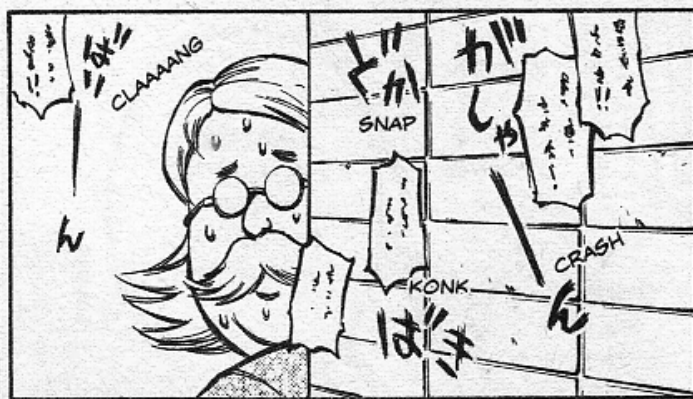
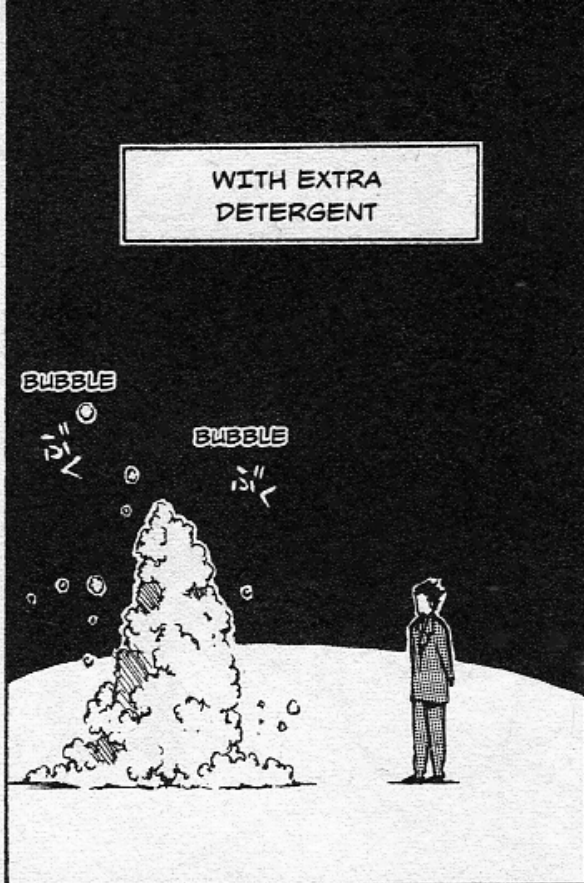
BUBBLE

BUBBLE

BUBBLE



FGSSSHHHH





BOTH OF YOU, COME WITH ME.

?

HO HO HO!

IT SEEMS THE TIME HAS FINALLY COME THAT I CAN BE OF SERVICE.

MR. GROSSBERG!

HO HO HO HO.

THE ROOF OF MY OFFICE?

WHY HERE, MR. GROSSBERG?



A WATER-FALL? THAT'S INSANE ---!

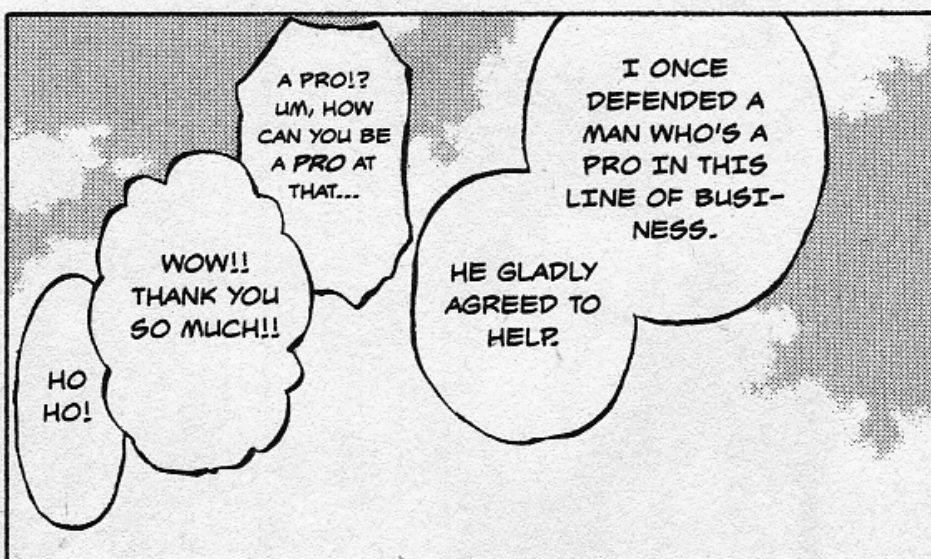
WE ARE GOING TO MAKE A WATERFALL, M'BOY.

RIGHT HERE AND RIGHT NOW,

A WATER-FALL! WOW!! A WATER-FALL!!



MAYA, MY DEAR.



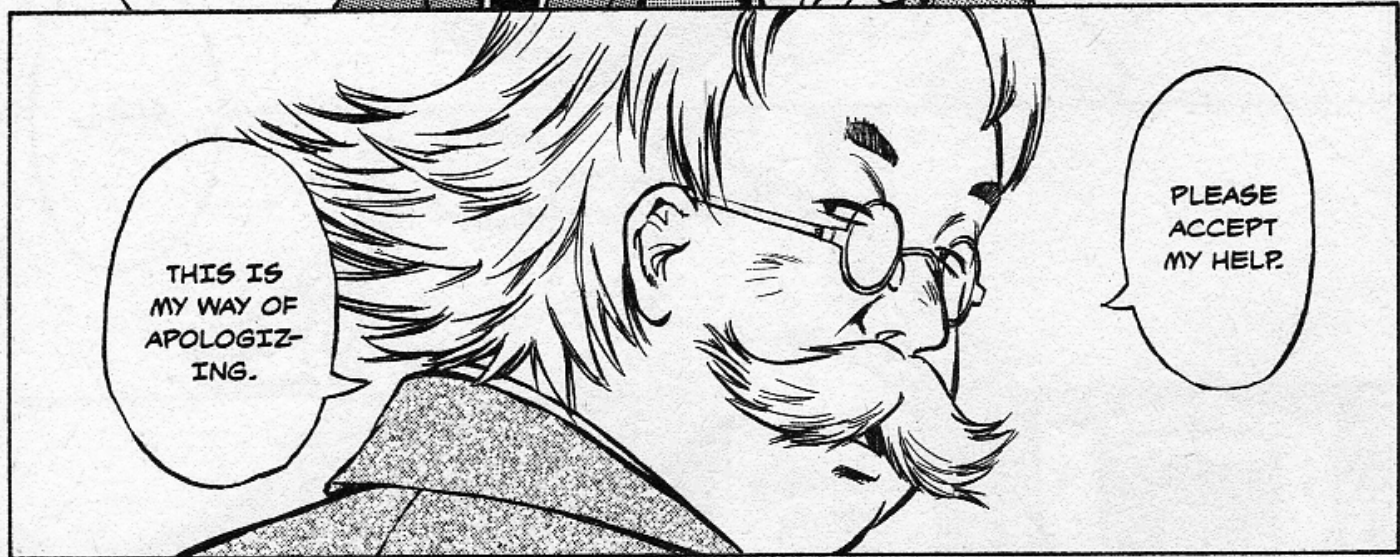
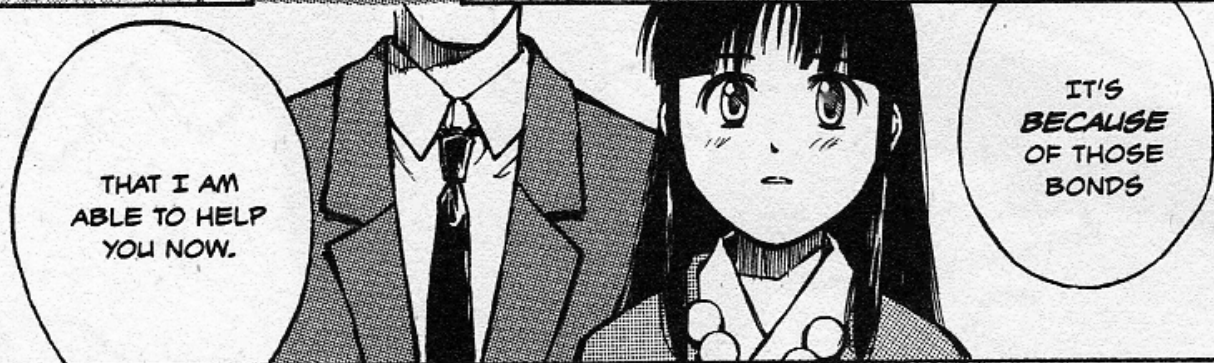
A PRO!? UM, HOW CAN YOU BE A PRO AT THAT...

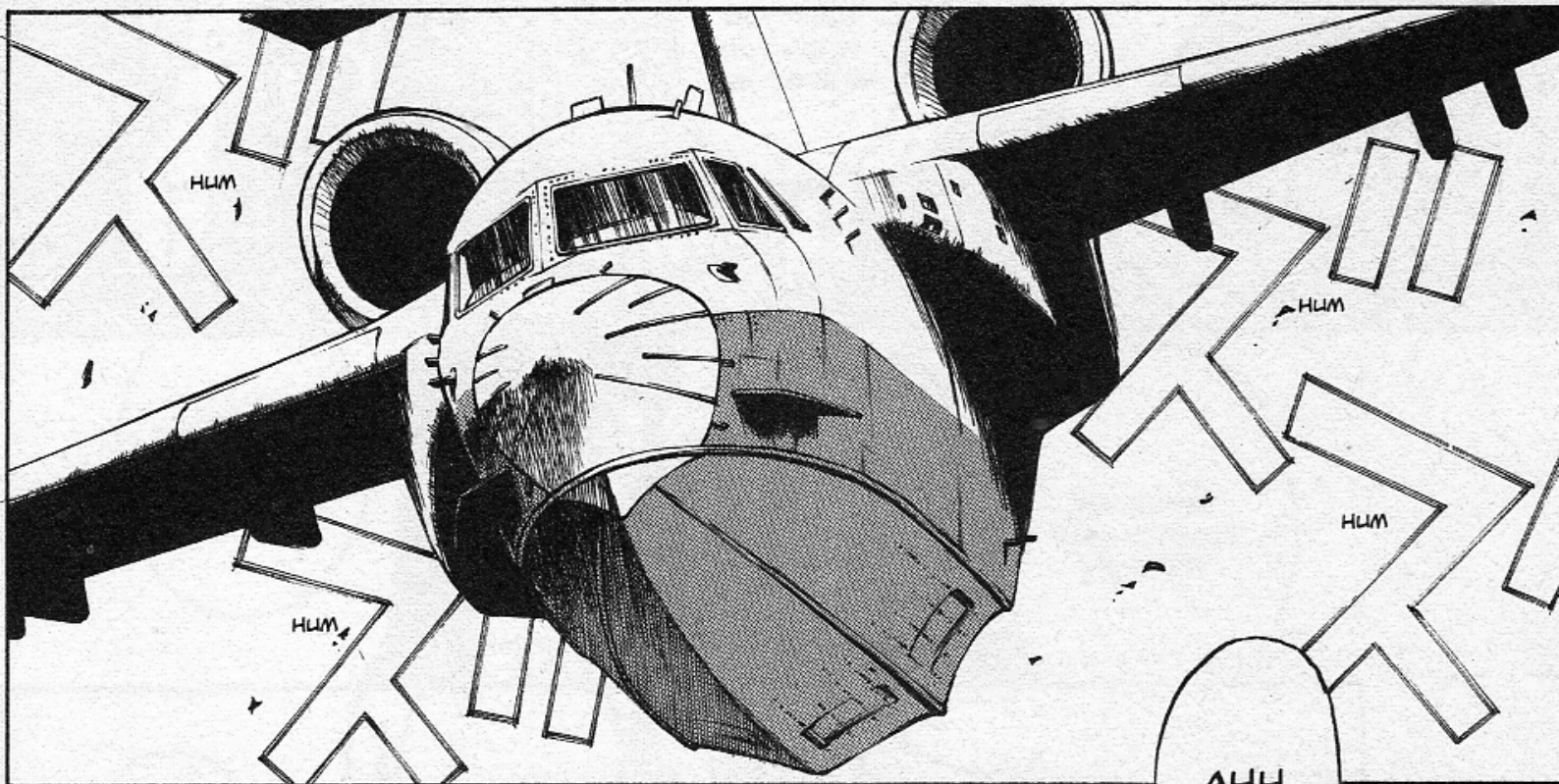
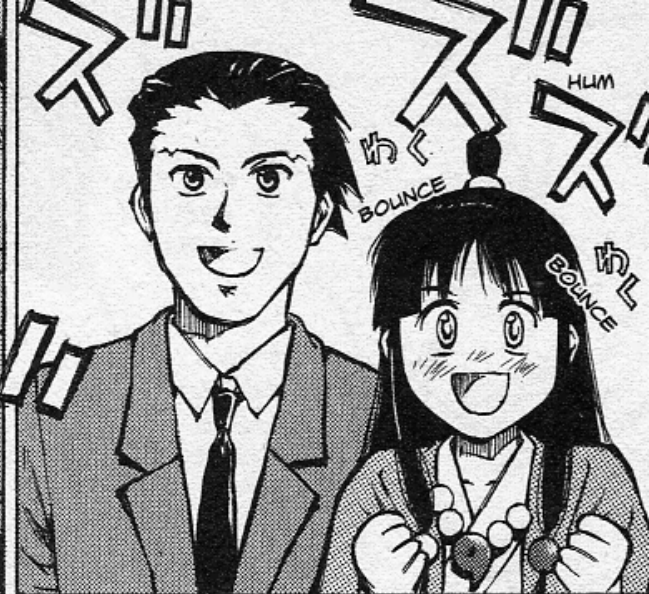
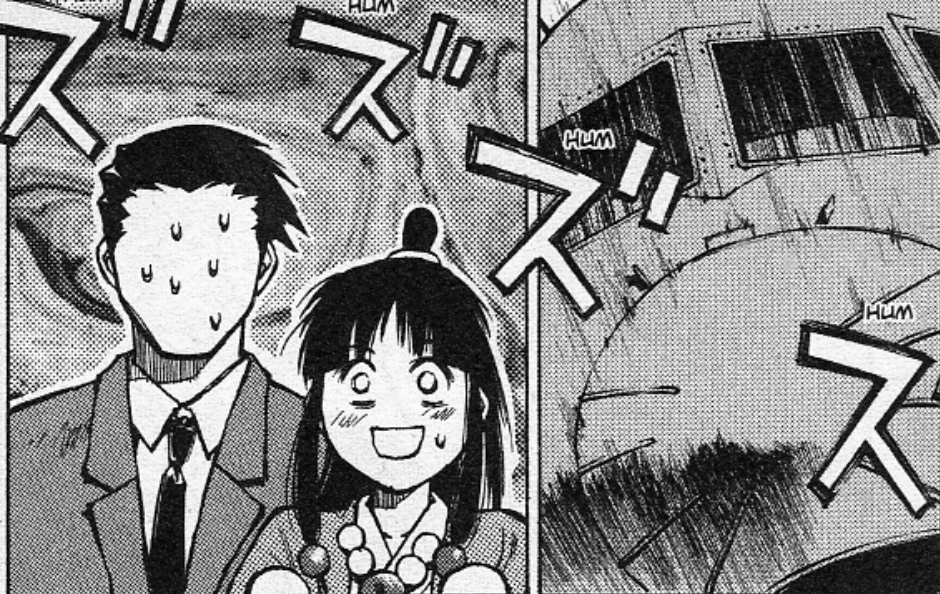
I ONCE DEFENDED A MAN WHO'S A PRO IN THIS LINE OF BUSINESS.

HE GLADLY AGREED TO HELP.

WOW!! THANK YOU SO MUCH!!

HO HO!





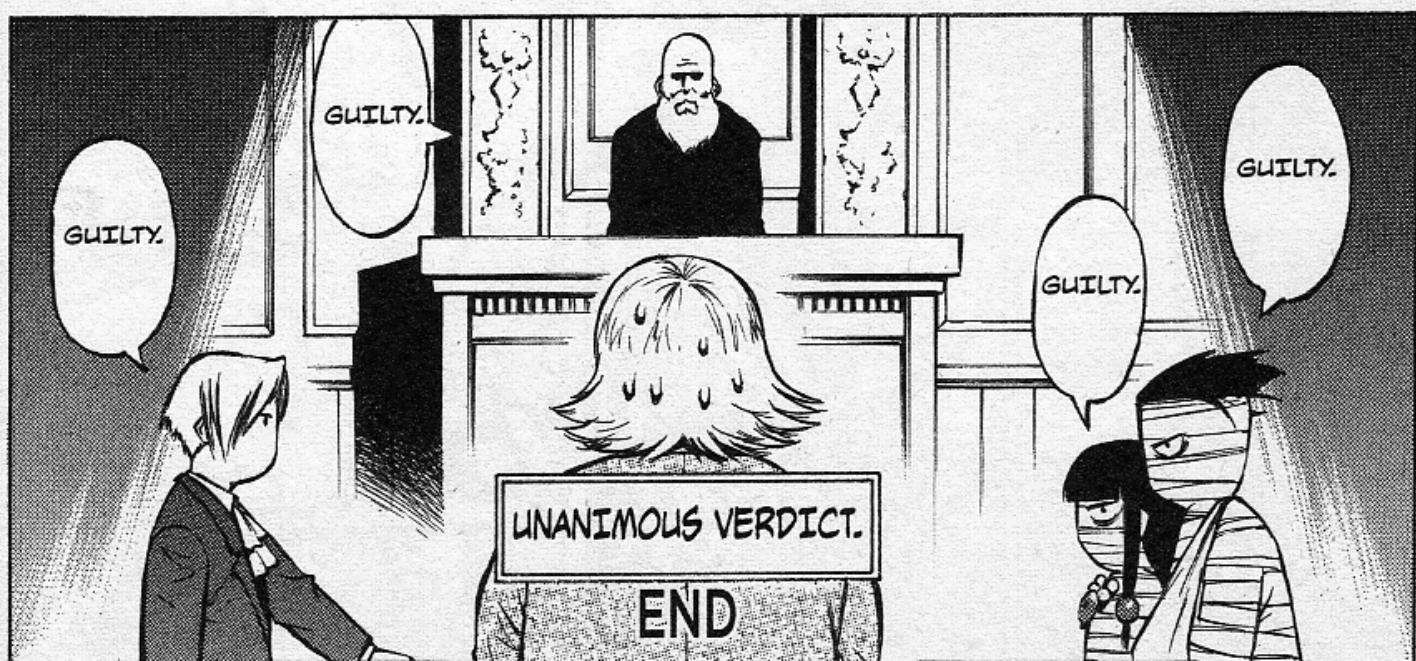
THE DAYS
OF MY
YOUTH...

AHH,

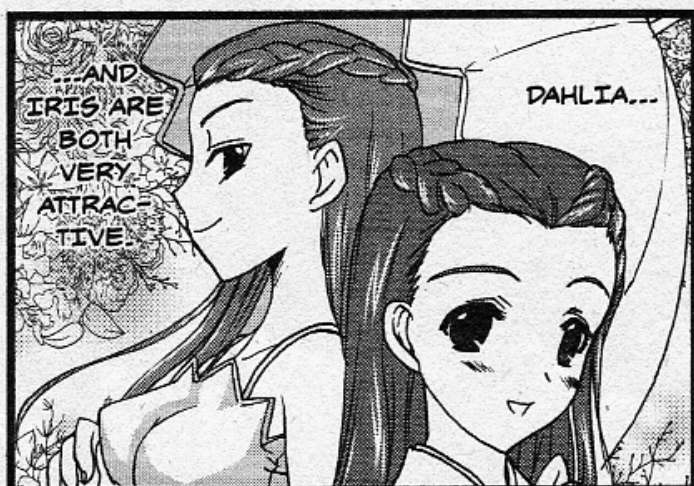




TWO DAYS LATER



PAST TRAUMA

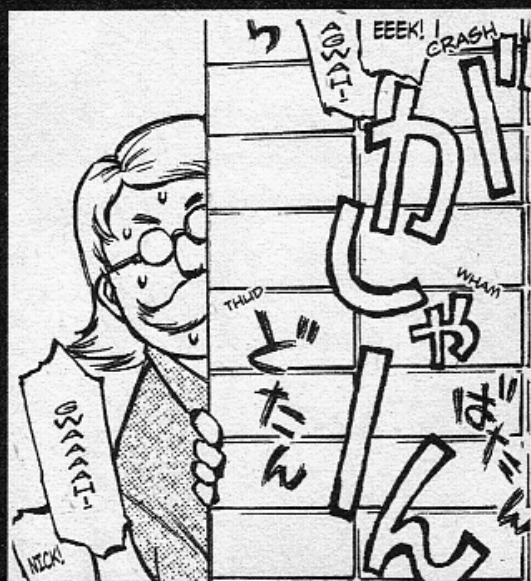


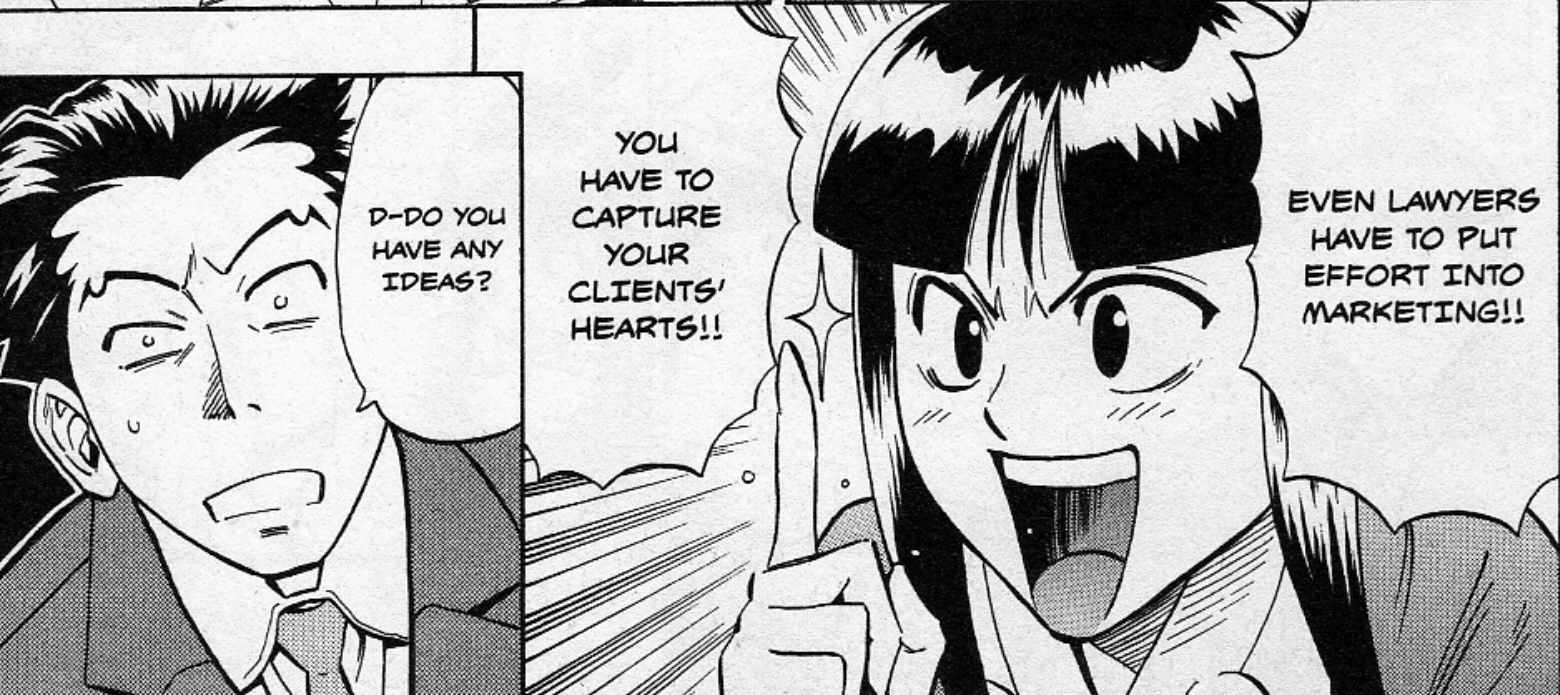
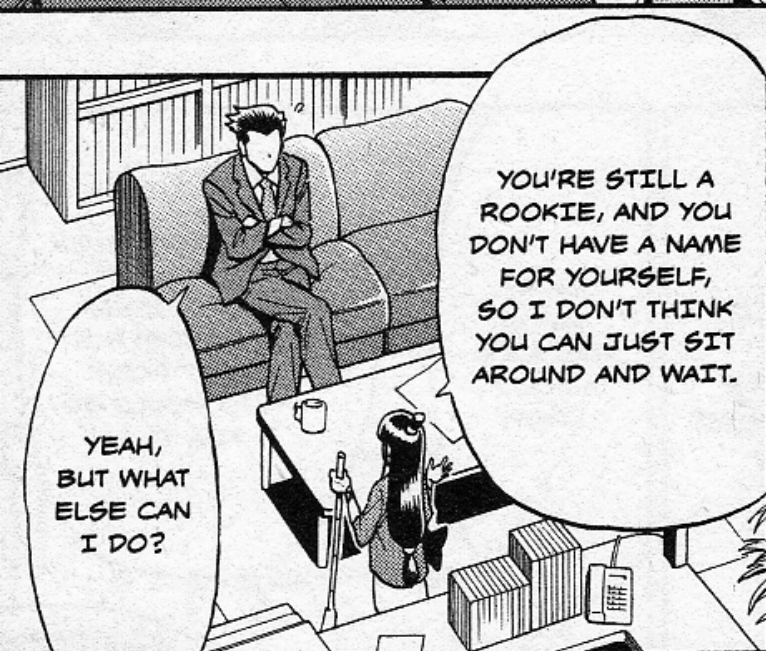
THE GREATEST MYSTERY






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APPLY
NOW AND
GET A FREE
ULTRA-RARE
STEEL SAMURAI
TRADING CARD!!
IT'S PERFECT!!



WHAT!? DID
YOU SAY
"ULTRA-RARE
STEEL SAMURAI
TRADING
CARD!?"

AWWWW.
BUT IT
WAS SUCH
A GOOD
IDEA!

LOOK, MAYA, THAT
MIGHT WORK
IF MY CLIENTS
WERE KIDS, BUT
I DON'T THINK
ADULTS WOULD GO
FOR IT.

WHAT'S
THAT
YOU
SAY?



I DON'T
KNOW ABOUT
GETTING
HELP FROM
A PROSECU-
TOR...

VERY
WELL.
I'LL
TAKE
CARE
OF THIS.

IF MY
GREATEST
RIVAL DOESN'T
APPEAR IN
COURT, I
DON'T GET TO
SHOW OFF MY
SKILLS.



YOU
AREN'T
GETTING
ANY
CASES?

ERK!
SHOW OFF?

FOR SOME
REASON, I,
THE GENIUS
PROSECUTOR HAVE
NEVER BEATEN
WRIGHT!?

C-COME
TO THINK
OF IT!!



WHAT'S THE
MATTER!? WHAT
HAPPENED,
PAL!?

MR.
EDGE-
WORTH IS
DEPRESSED
!?

WHAT
IN
THE
HECK
...?

MR.
EDGE-
WORTH
SEEMS
DEPRESSED
ABOUT
SOME-
THING.

DOES THIS
MEAN I AM
DESTINED TO
FAIL...AS LONG
AS WRIGHT
APPEARS IN
COURT?

GLOOOOOM

WHAT
HAPPENED!?
WHAT'S THE
MATTER!!?

ARE YOU
OKAY, MR.
EDGEWORTH,
SIR!!?

CALM DOWN,
DETECTIVE
GUMSHOE.

AND I
DIDN'T
CALL THE
POLICE.

THAT'S NOT
A MATTER
FOR THE
POLICE.

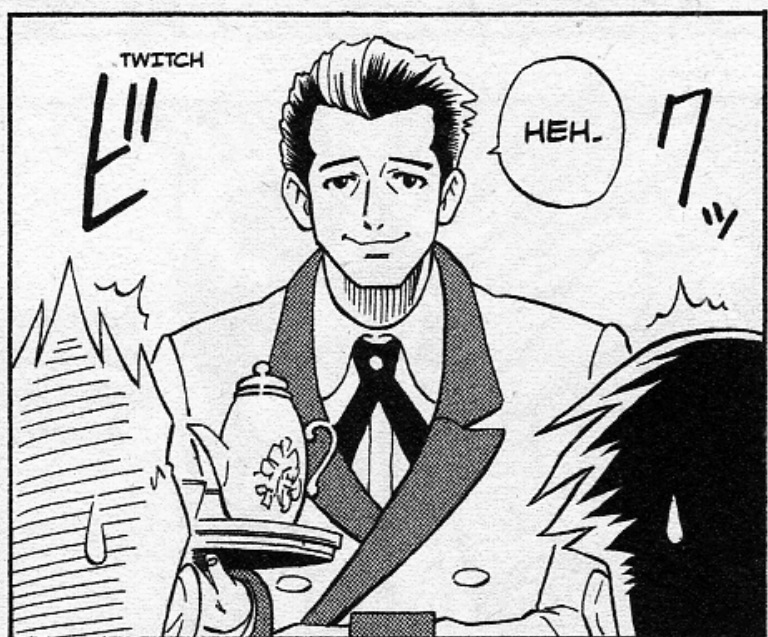
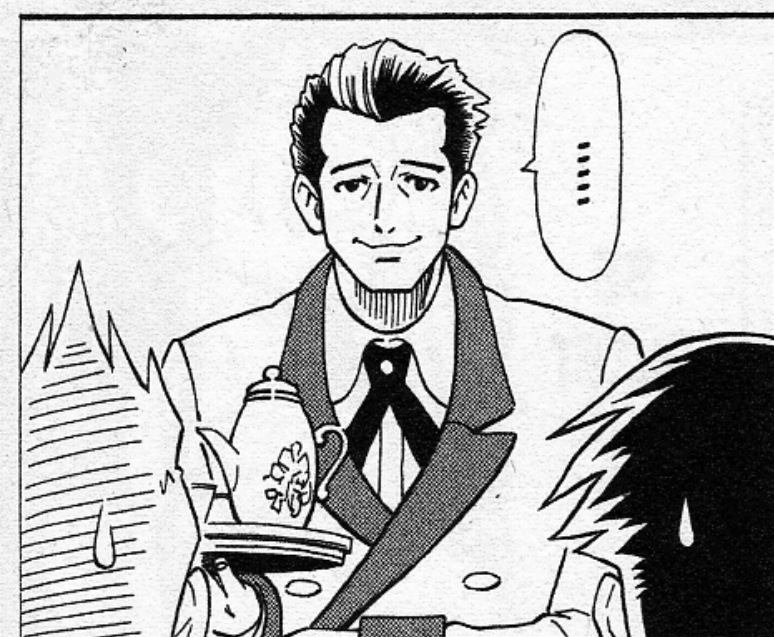
SO
WHAT OF
IT, PAL?

YOU
AREN'T
GETTING
CASES?

IF YOU'RE
GOING TO
LURE THEM
WITH THAT
STUFF, YOU
JUST HAVE
TO USE
SAMURAI
MANJU!!

LOOK, YOU.
JUST THE
THOUGHT OF
LURING PEOP-
LE IN WITH
STUFF IS...

HEY, HEY. WE
REALLY WILL
JUST HAVE TO
LURE THEM IN
WITH STEEL
SAMURAI RARE
CARDS, WON'T
WE?





CLAMOR

71

CLAMOR

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CLAMOR

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CLAMOR

71

I MEAN,
YOU'RE
ALWAYS...

CHEER UP,
MR. EDGE-
WORTH, SIR!!

I'M ONLY
TRYING TO
HELP, MAN...

GLOOOOOM
スー



WHIP

WRIGHT,
YOU HAVE
ONE FATAL
FLAW!!

BE
QUIET
!!



SHOCK

FOR
SOMEONE
WHO'S
SUPPOSED
TO BE THE
MAIN CHAR-
ACTER...

...YOUR
CHARACTER-
IZATION IS
TOO WEAK!!



MIA
...!?

WHAM!

HOW CAN YOU
WEAR THAT BORING
SLUIT!!

SHE'S RIGHT!!
YOU ARE
LACKING IN
ELEGANCE!!

YES! MR.
EDGE-
WORTH IS
FEELING
BETTER!!

IT'S
TRUE THAT
WITH ALL
THE SIDE
CHARACTERS
HAVING
SUCH STRONG
PERSONALI-
TIES...

DEFENSE
ATTORNEYS
THESE
DAYS NEED
IMPACT!
LIKE THE
STEEL
SAMURAI!!

THAT'S
RIGHT,
NICK!!

THE STAR OF
THE SHOW
FADES INTO
THE BACK-
GROUND, PAL.

HE NEEDS
REFINEMENT.

A REAL
MAN NEEDS A
GOATEE!!

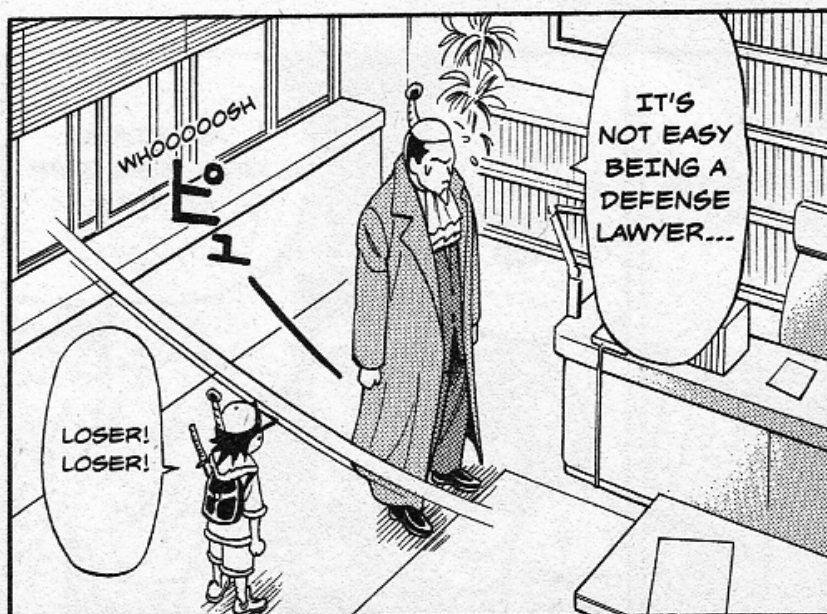
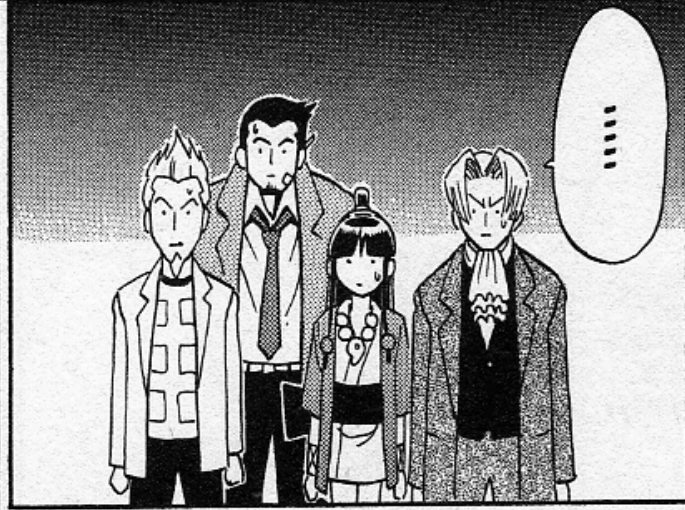
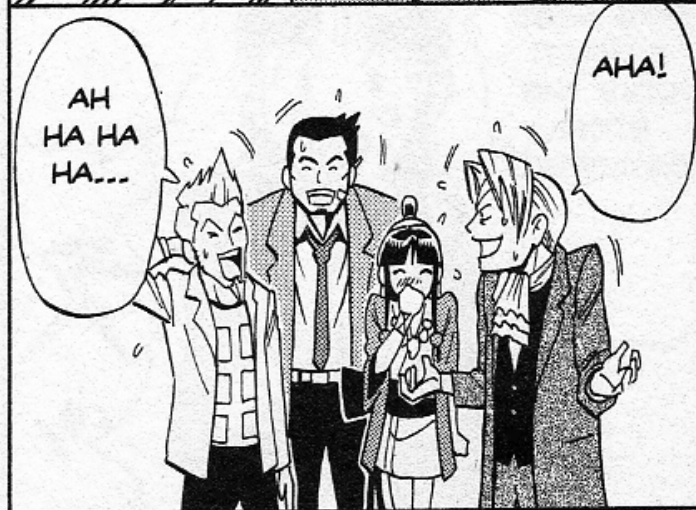
WE'LL
START
WITH YOUR
APPEAR-
ANCE.

ALL RIGHT!
WE'LL TAKE CARE
OF THIS.

STOP,
PLEASE
-!!

NO, A MAN
NEEDS A
TRENCHCOAT,
PAL!!

WHAT?
JUST
A...



END

COUGH!

ACHOO!

A TURNABOUT DAY TOGETHER

BY MASAO AONA

WILL YOU
BE OKAY
IN COURT
TODAY,
NICK?

WHY DON'T
YOU REST
INSTEAD?

DO,
I'B
FIDE

RATTLE

RATTLE

HONK

YOU
MUSTN'T
PUSH
YOURSELF!

I HAVE A
SECRET
WEAPON
FOR TODAY.

SECRET

WEAPON?

SNIFFLE

GRIN!



ARE THE PROSECUTION AND DEFENSE READY?

COURT IS NOW IN SESSION FOR THE TRIAL OF LARRY BUTZ.

POUND



ACHOO!

I'M WITH HIM!

NICK WON'T LOSE!

THE DEFENSE

THE DEFENDANT



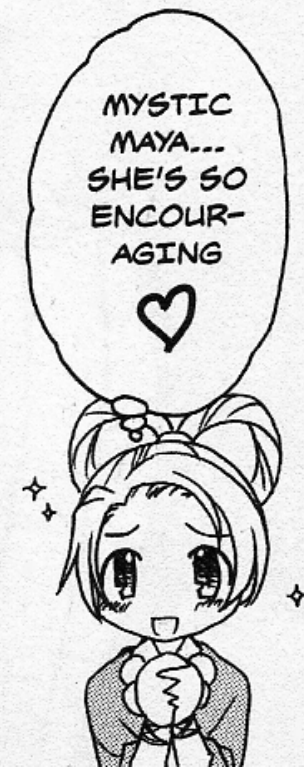
OH HOH! TO THINK YOU WOULD FACE ME IN SUCH A STATE...

I ADMIRE YOUR WILL-POWER, WRIGHT!

BAM!

I'M BEGGING YOU, NICK...

THE PROSECUTION



MYSTIC MAYA... SHE'S SO ENCOURAGING



N... NNGH!?

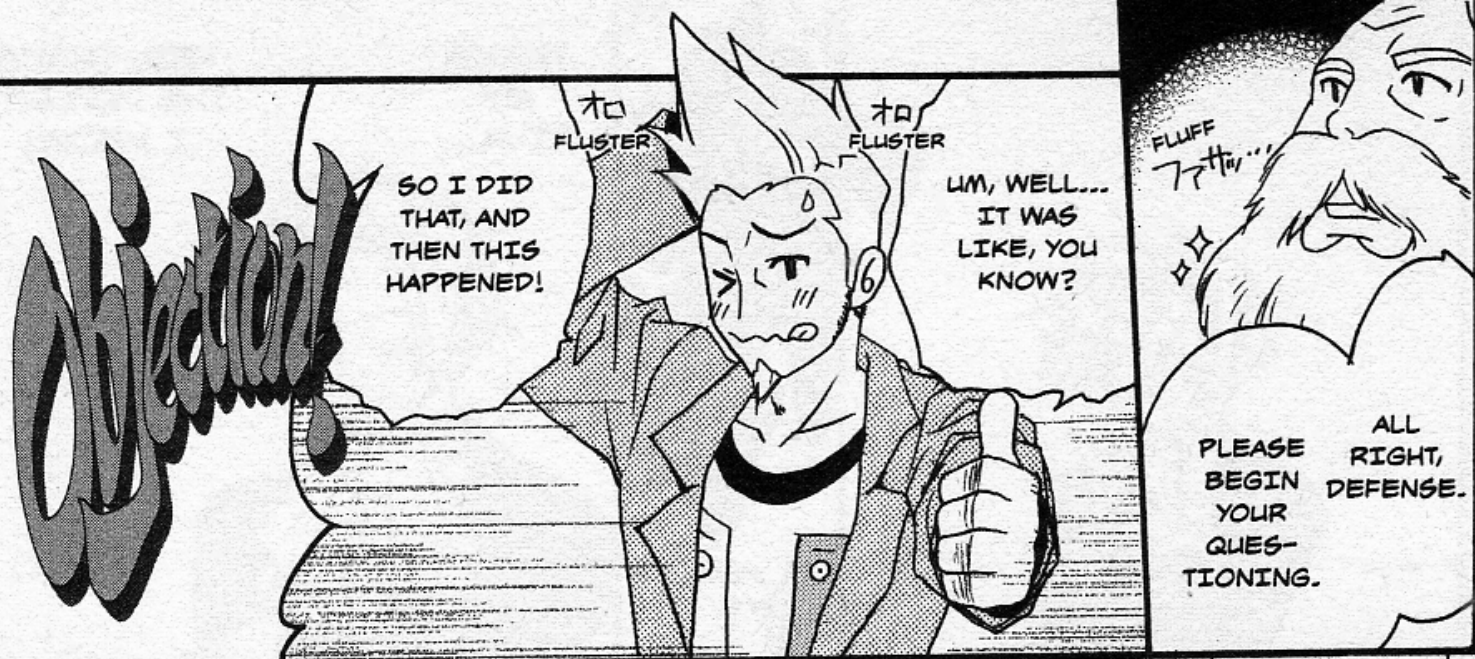
WHIP!!

VERY WELL...

AND WHEN HE WINS...

YOU WILL TELL US ABOUT A GOOD FAST FOOD PLACE!

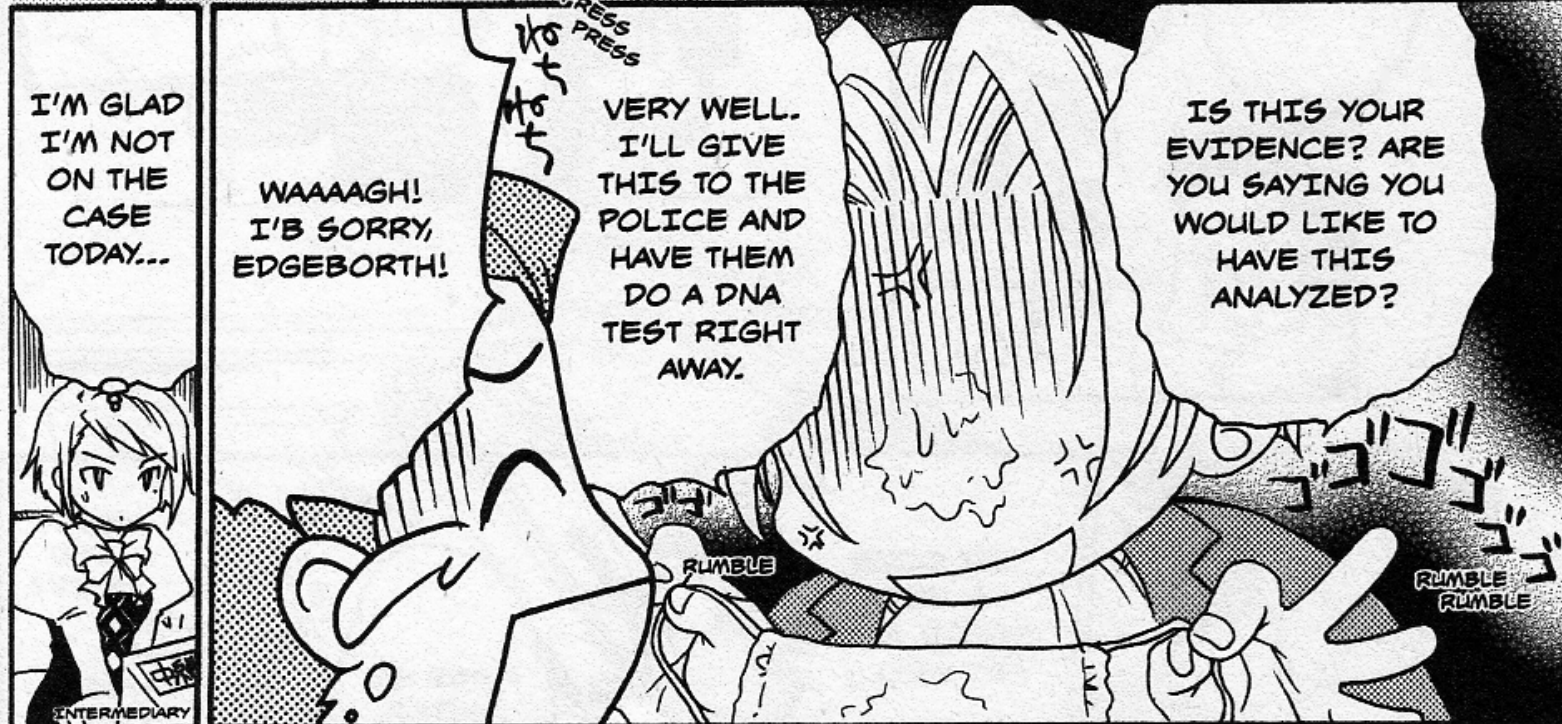
COUGH !?





THAT'S
MY
RIVA...

YES, THAT'S
THE WRIGHT
I KNOW!



I'M GLAD
I'M NOT
ON THE
CASE
TODAY...

WAAAAGH!
I'B SORRY,
EDGEBORTH!

VERY WELL.
I'LL GIVE
THIS TO THE
POLICE AND
HAVE THEM
DO A DNA
TEST RIGHT
AWAY.

IS THIS YOUR
EVIDENCE? ARE
YOU SAYING YOU
WOULD LIKE TO
HAVE THIS
ANALYZED?



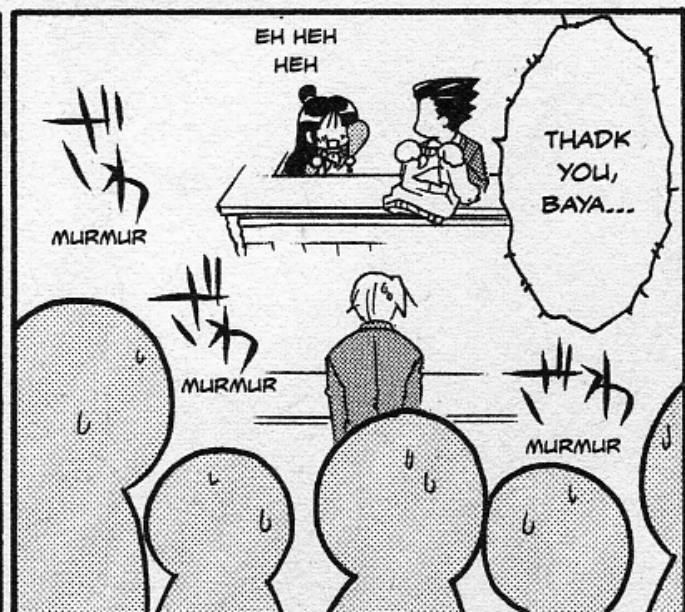
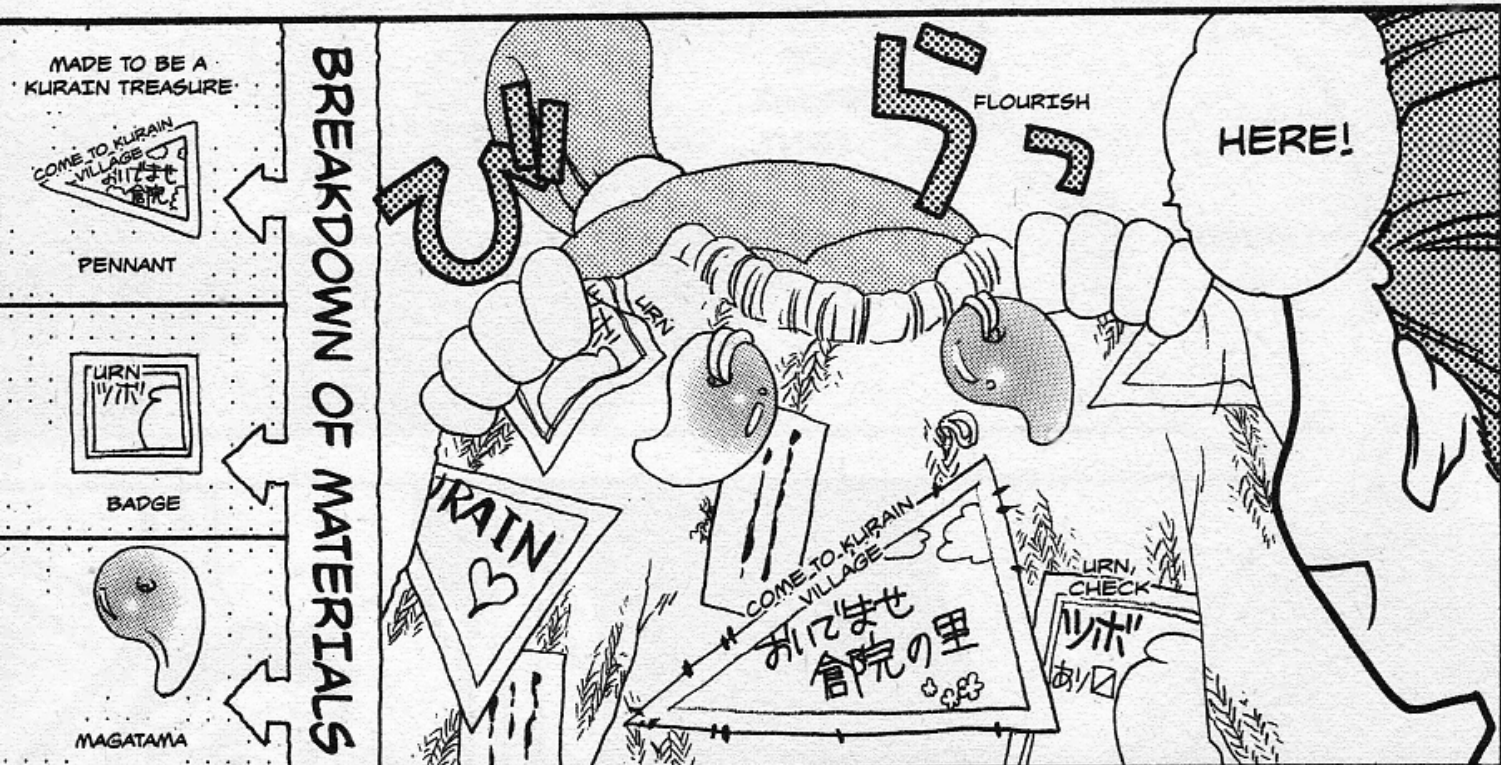
NGAH!?

THAT'S
...!

NO,
HERE'S
THE REAL
PROOF!

ACHOO!





DROP

URK...

NO! MY FEVER'S
SO HIGH, MY
MIND'S GOING
FUZZY AGAIN...

...WRIGHT...

I HAVE
TO DEFEND...
MY CLIENT...

NICK?

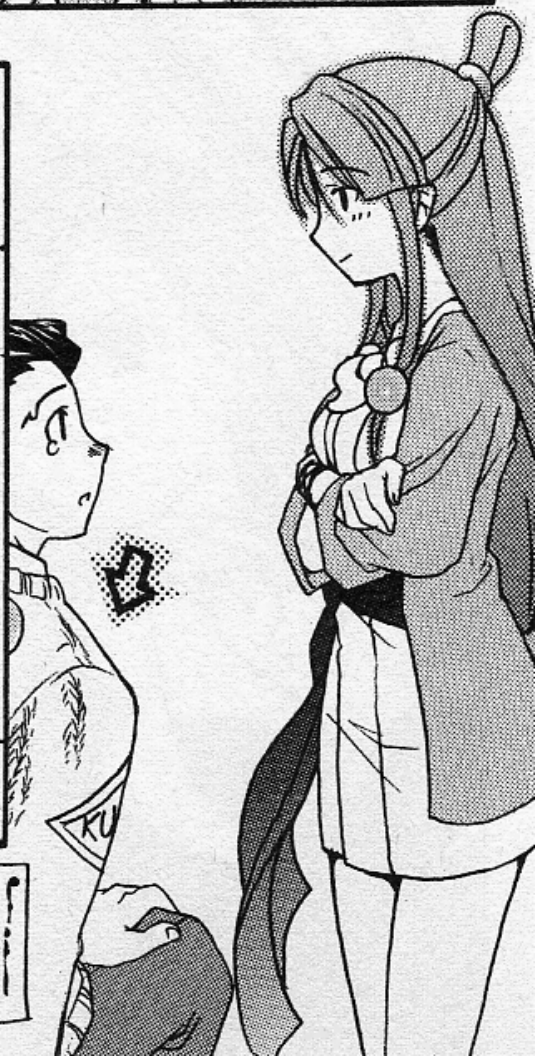
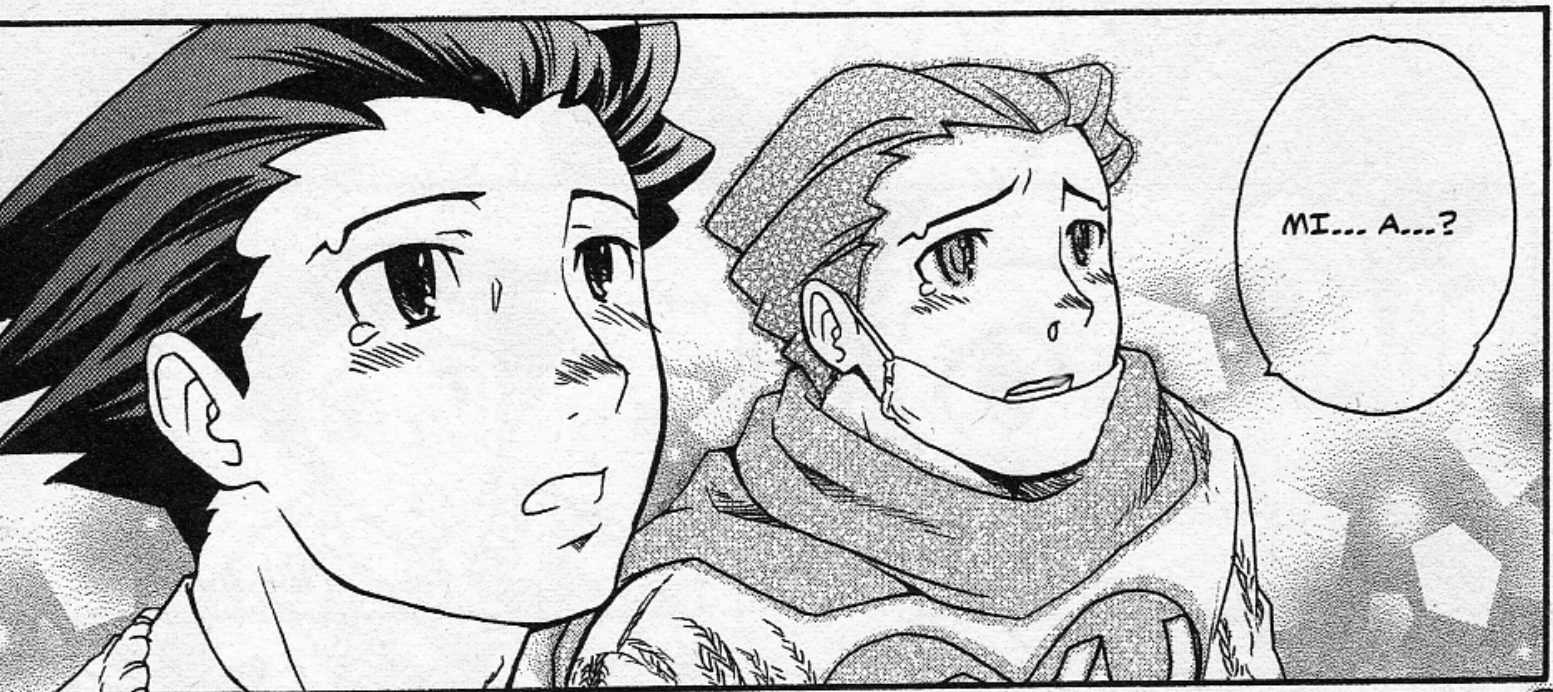
HEY!

WRIGHT!



STAND UP!

THE TRIAL
ISN'T OVER
YET.





...HAS TO
SMILE BOLDLY,
ESPECIALLY
WHEN THINGS
LOOK BAD!

COME ON!
TIME FOR THE
COUNTER-
ATTACK!



YES,
CHIEF!!



...Yess

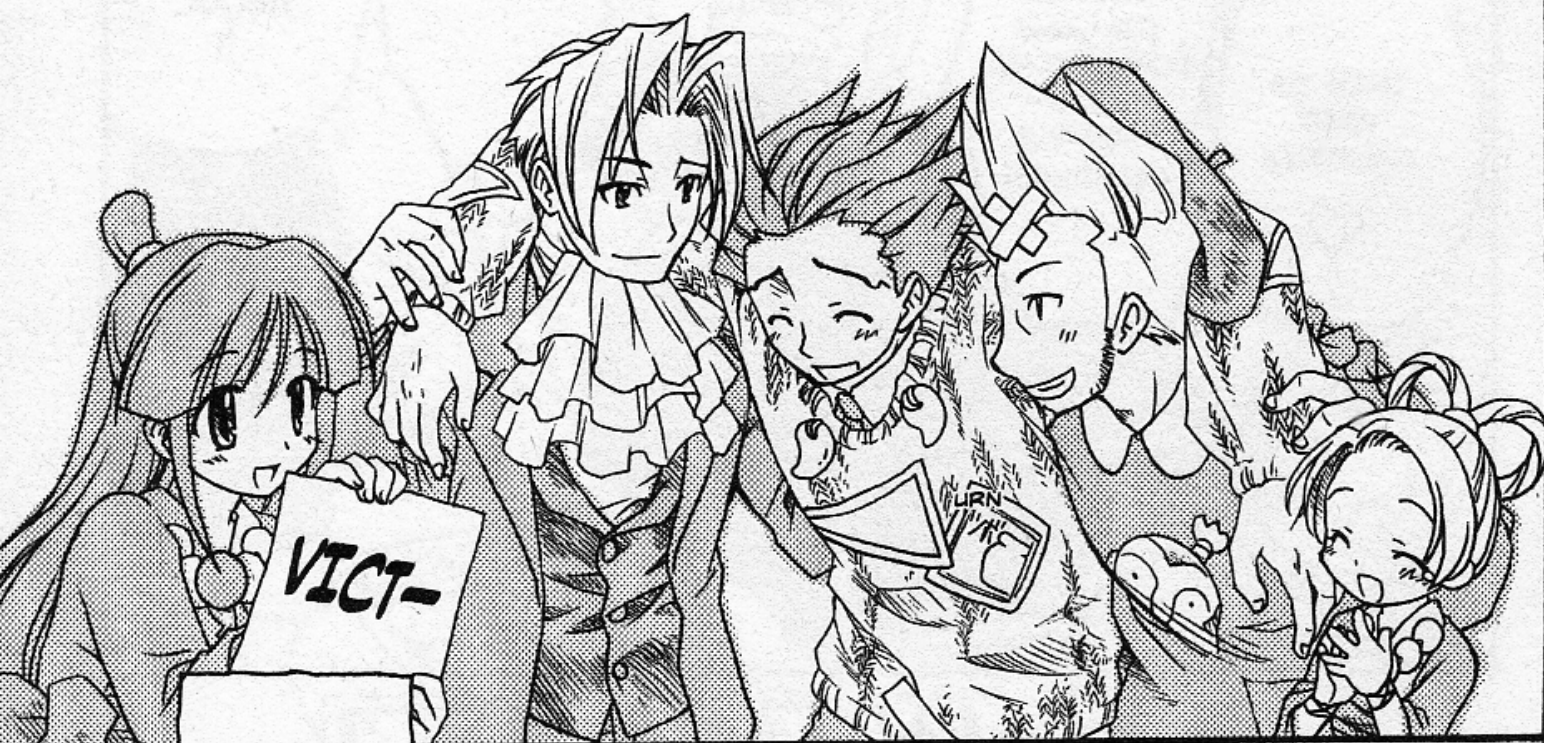


Objection!

NOT GUILTY



AND
SO WE
WON THE
TRIAL.



THANK
YOU,
EVERY-
ONE...



WEEE
WAAA
WEEE
WAA...

WAAAHH!!
NICK!?

THAT'S
RIGHT,
MR. NICK!

NOW YOU HAVE
TO GET LOTS OF
REST SO YOU CAN
GET BETTER!

THIS IS
VERY
CALMING

YOU'RE
CALLING
SOMETHING!
SOME-
THING'S
COMING!!

W...
WAIT A
SECOND!

I'LL RE-
DECORATE
YOUR ROOM
TO HELP YOU
RELAX.

HE
CAUGHT
EVERY BIT
OF THAT
COLD, EH?

COUGH
COUGH

NNNNNGH,
NNNNNGH

TAKE THAT! I
DON'T WANT
TO CATCH
YOUR FOOL-
ISHNESS!

FRANZY
♥
I'VE ALMOST
FINISHED
"FRANZY'S
WHIPLASH
SPLASH."

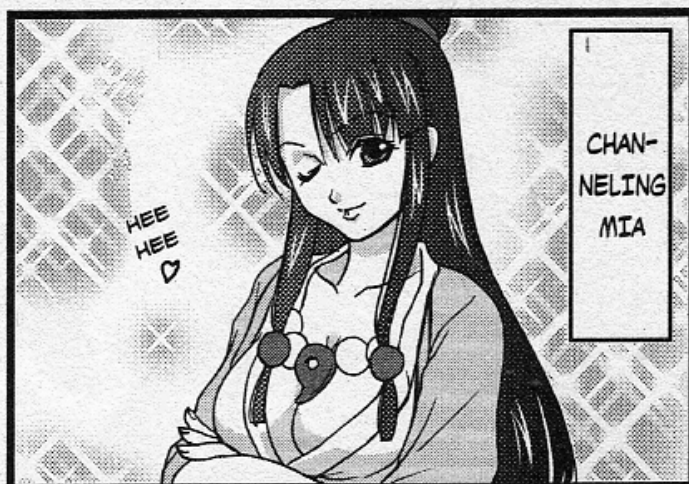
INDEED...
YOU'RE A
LUCKY MAN,
WRIGHT.

END

STOMP STOMP
STOMP

THE MELANCHOLY OF PROSECUTOR GODOT

WHAT'S BOTHERING MAYA





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中華料理

SHOP

加府根飯店

**CHINESE
NOODLES,
POTSTICKERS**

THAT
CHINESE
NOODLE SHOP
EVERYONE'S
TALKING
ABOUT!!

A TASTE
WE'RE
PROUD OF

RAMEN

THIS IS
IT, NICK!

IT'S TOO
HOT TO
EAT RAMEN
TODAY.

YOU REALLY ARE
A GLUTTON.

I HEAR IF YOU
CAN FINISH
THEIR SPECIAL
JUMBO BOWL
IN LESS THAN
TEN MINUTES,
YOU GET IT
FREE!!

IT
ACTUALLY
COOLS
YOU
DOWN.

SIZZLE

IF YOU
EAT HOT
NOODLES
WHEN IT'S
HOT OUT-
SIDE,

WHAT
ARE YOU
SAYING,
NICK!?

ALORS



IF IT ISN'T
LA LAWYER
FROM Z'E
OTHER DAY!

BON-JOUR!
BIENVENUE



MWAH

THE HEAT!!

I'M SUR-
PRISED
THIS PLACE
HIRED
HIM...

WE...

M...
MR. ARM-
STRONG!?

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
AT A NOODLE
SHOP!?

CAME
HERE FOR
THE SPECIAL
JUMBO BOWL
CHALLENGE!

OH LÀ LÀ,
FANTAS-
TIQUE!

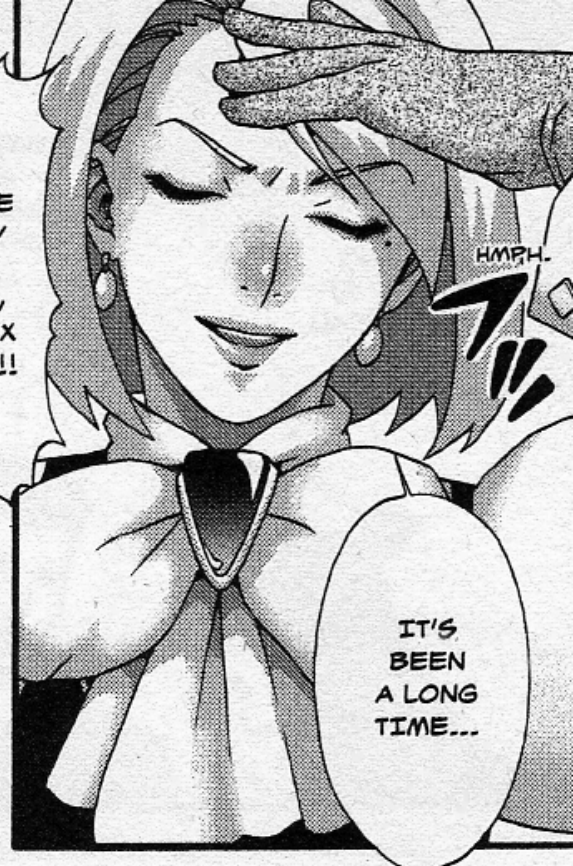
'OW
YOU SAY,
WORKING!
I AM,
WORKING!
TRÈS
BIEN
ALONE
WASN'T
PAYING
LA BILLS.
I 'AVE LA
DEBT TO
PAY, AFTER
ALL...





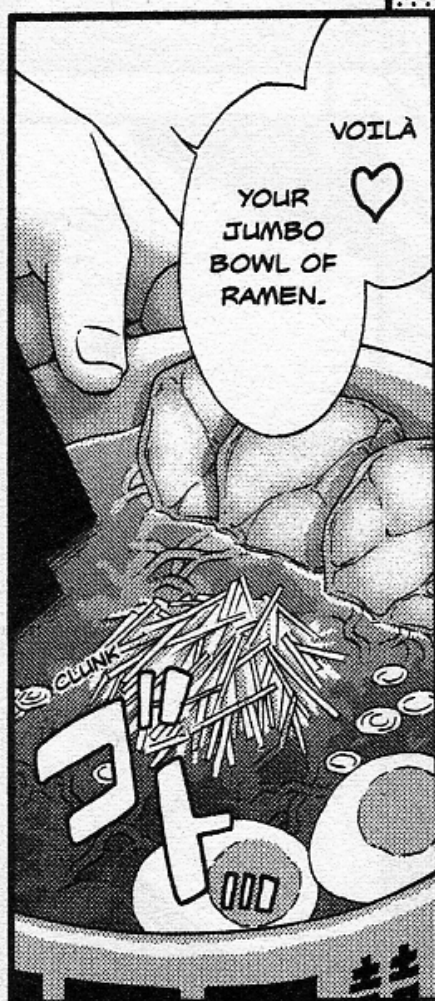
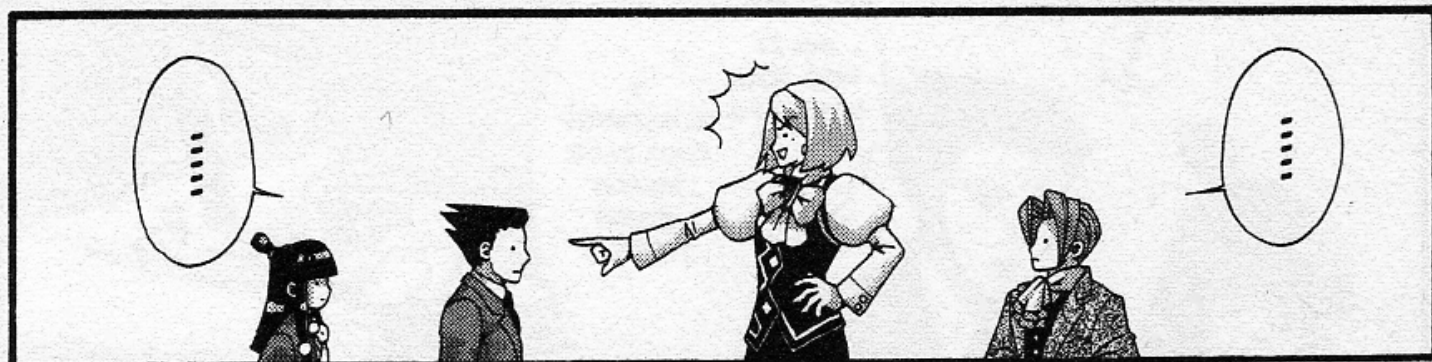
TO THINK
THE RENOWNED
TURNABOUT LAW-
YER WOULD COME
TO A HOLE-IN-
THE-WALL PLACE
LIKE THIS LOOK-
ING FOR FREE
FOOD!

HOW THE
MIGHTY
HAVE
FALLEN,
PHOENIX
WRIGHT!!



HMPH.

IT'S
BEEN
A LONG
TIME...



VOILA

YOUR
JUMBO
BOWL OF
RAMEN.



SHE'S
AFTER
THE
FREE
FOOD.

SO SHE
IS AFTER
THE FREE
FOOD.

I-I
SPECIFICALLY
CHOSE THIS
SHOP IN ORDER
TO STUDY THE
FOOD CULTURE
OF MANY
COUNTRIES!

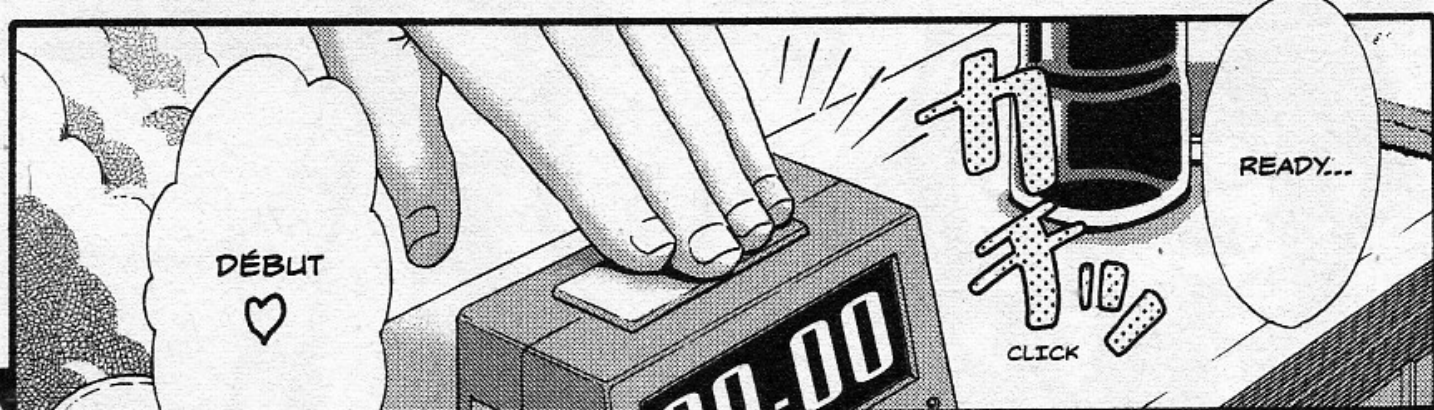
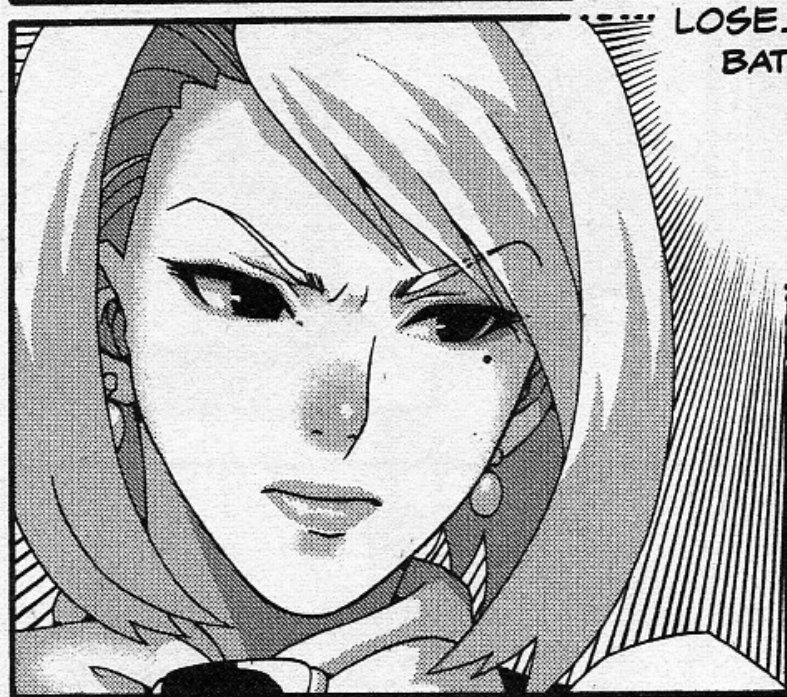


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SMIRK

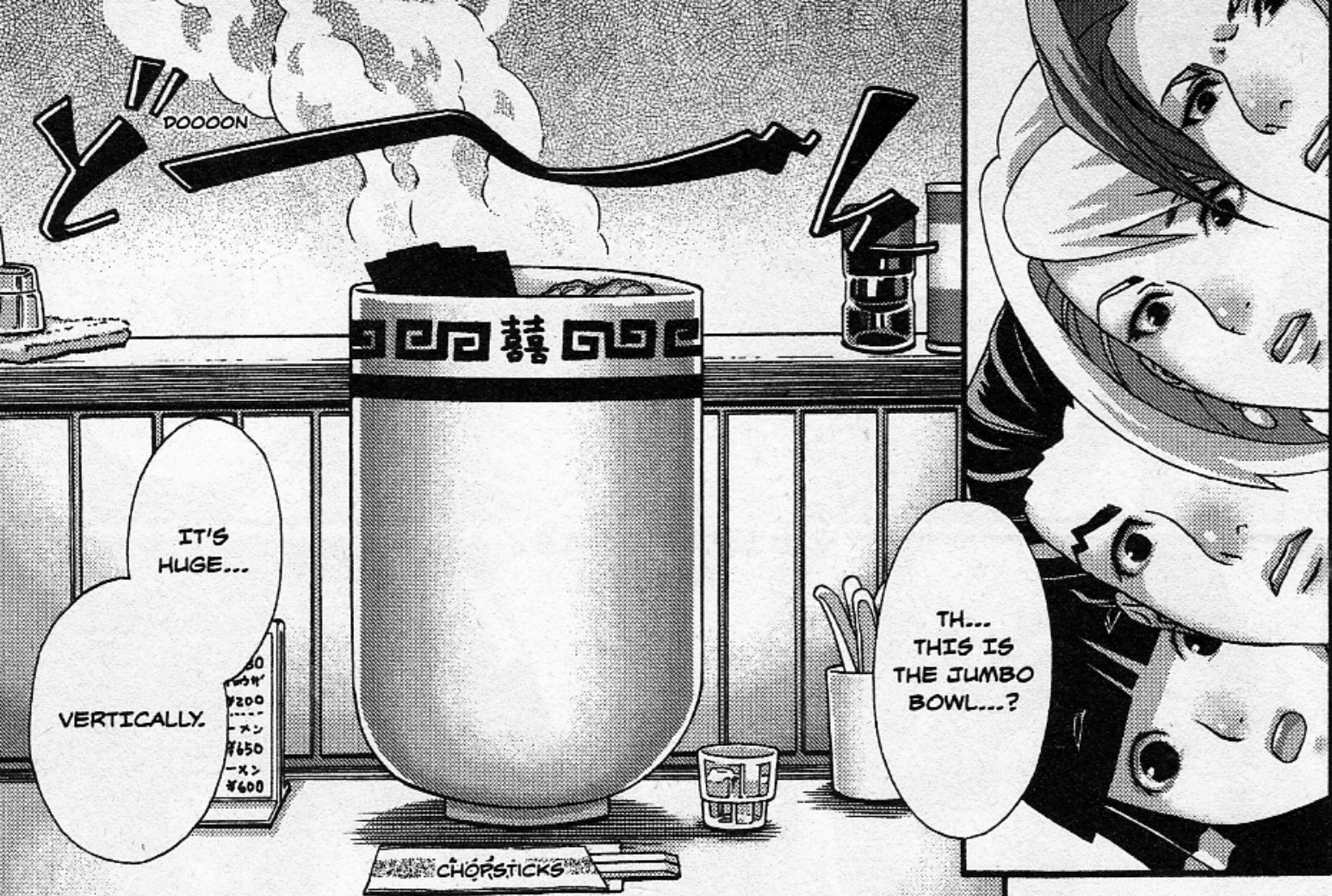
IT IS
CERTAINLY
NOT BECAUSE
I WAS FOOL-
ISHLY LURED
HERE BY
FREE FOOD!



I CAN'T
LOSE... THIS
BATTLE!!



CHOMP MUNCH MUNCH MUNCH MUNCH



IT'S
HUGE...

VERTICALLY.

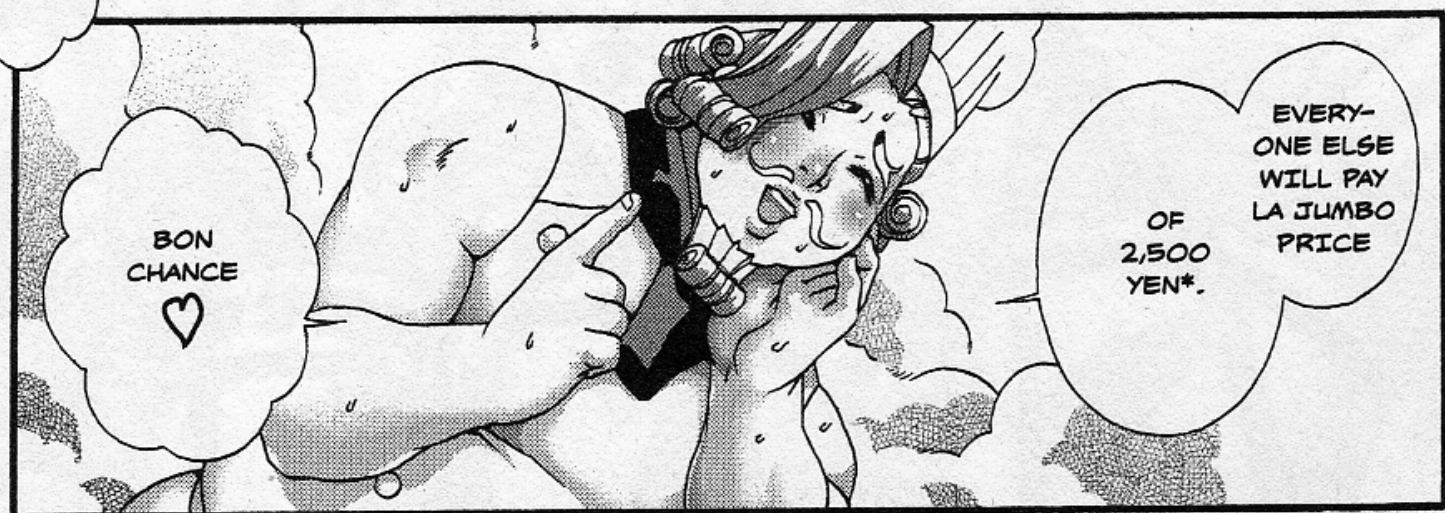
TH...
THIS IS
THE JUMBO
BOWL...?



ONLY
GOES TO
ONE PERSON
♡

MAIS, OUI! OH,
AND I FORGOT
TO TELL YOU, BUT
LA FREE JUMBO
BOWL CHALLENGE,

WHAAAT!?



BON
CHANCE
♡

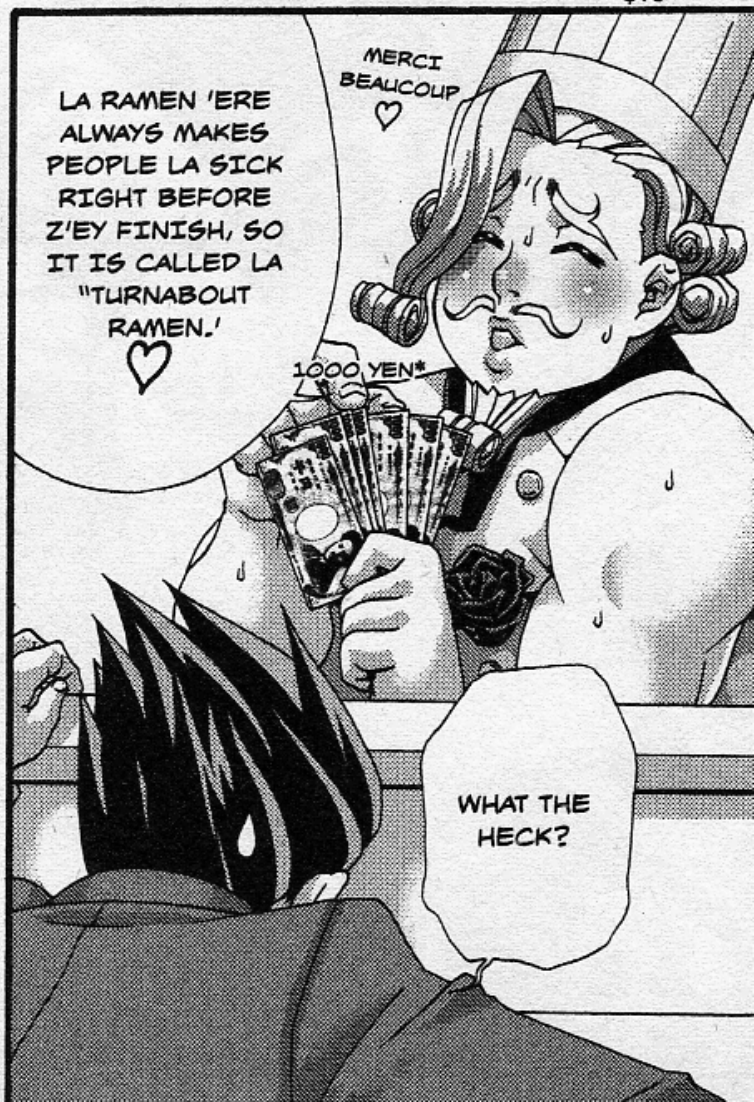
OF
2,500
YEN*.

EVERY-
ONE ELSE
WILL PAY
LA JUMBO
PRICE





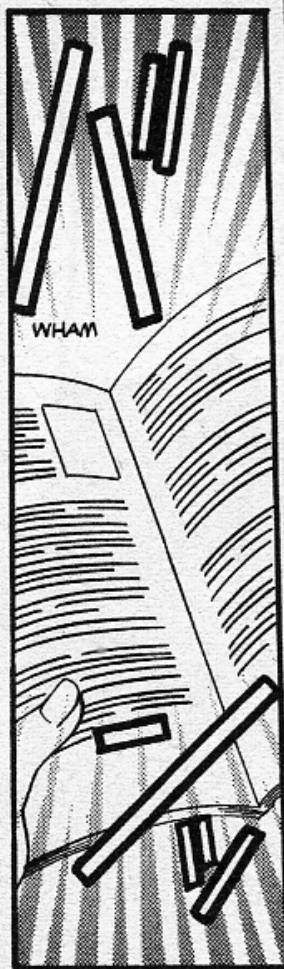
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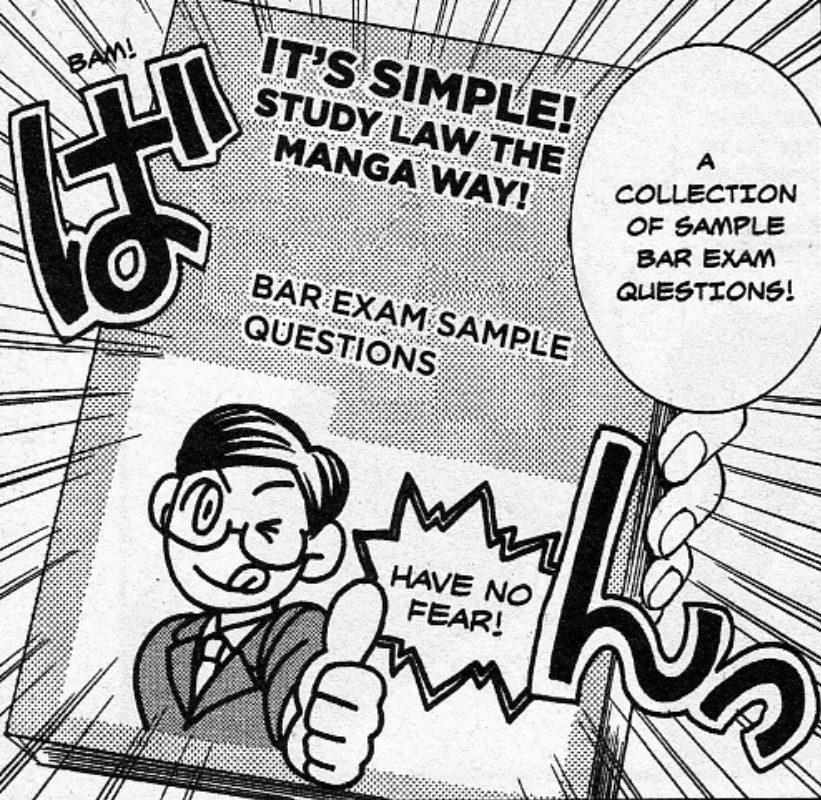




CAR LIFE, MY LIFE
BY TAMAKO YAMAUCHI

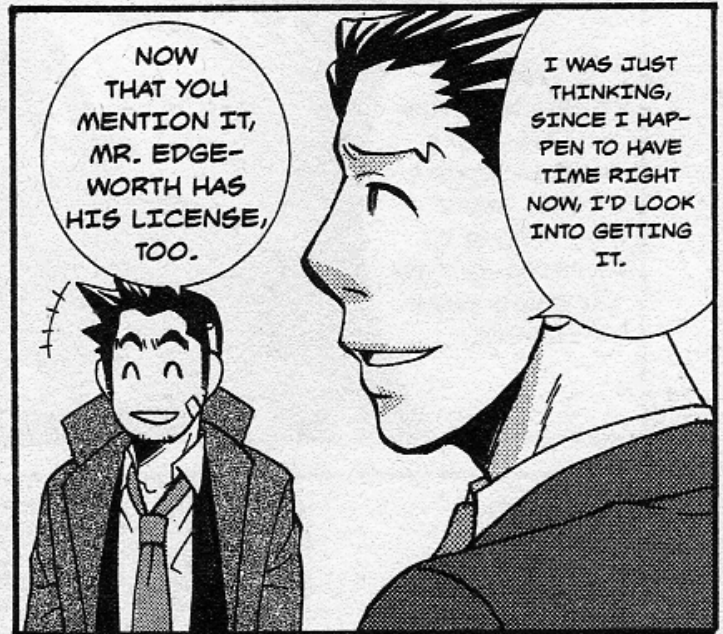
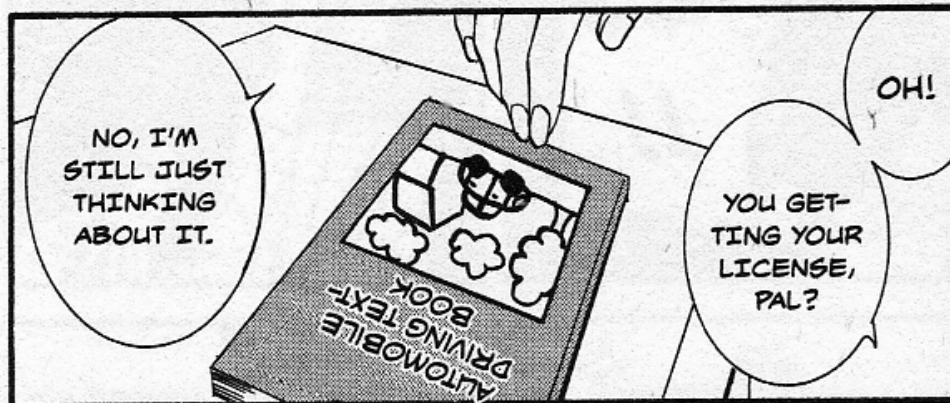






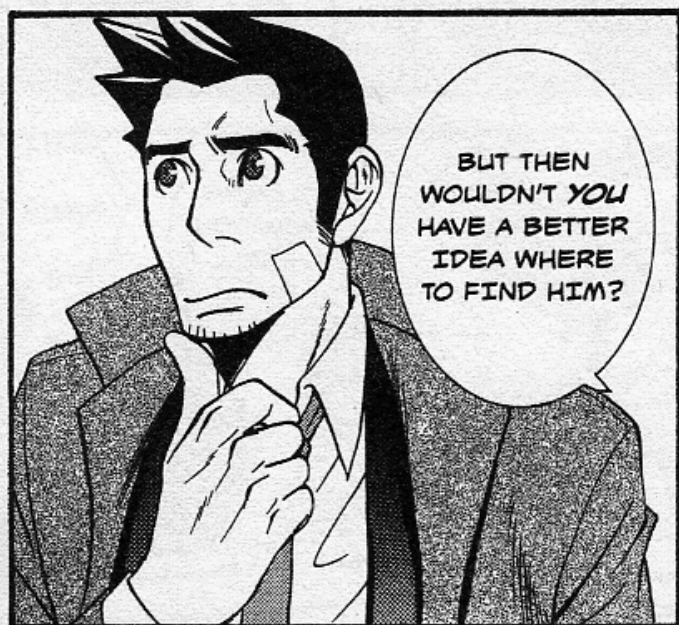






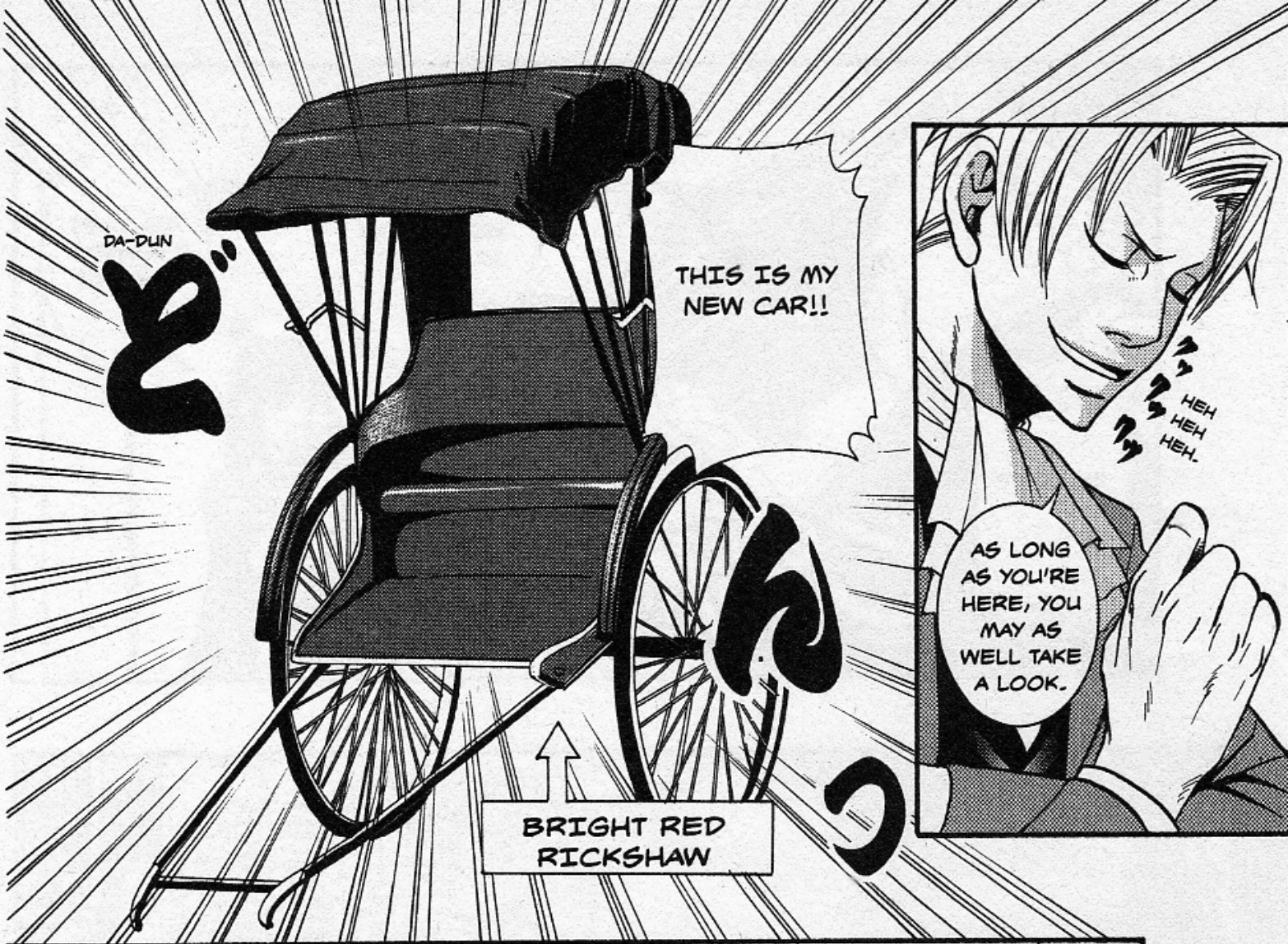








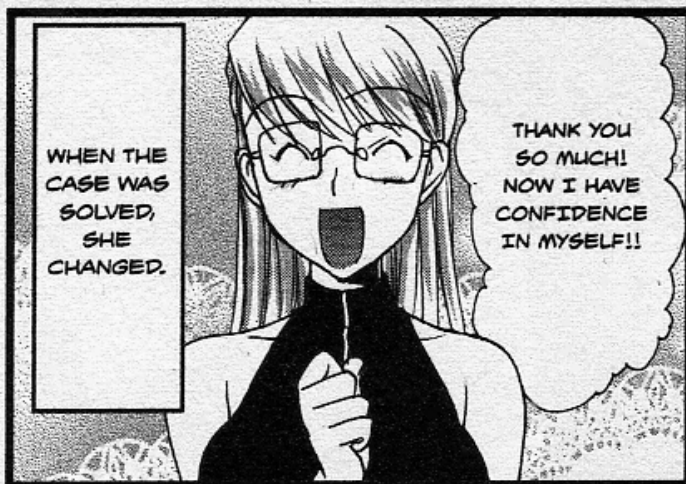




PEARLY SLAP-IN-THE-FACE EXPLOSION!!



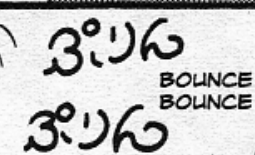
SISTER FIGURE!?





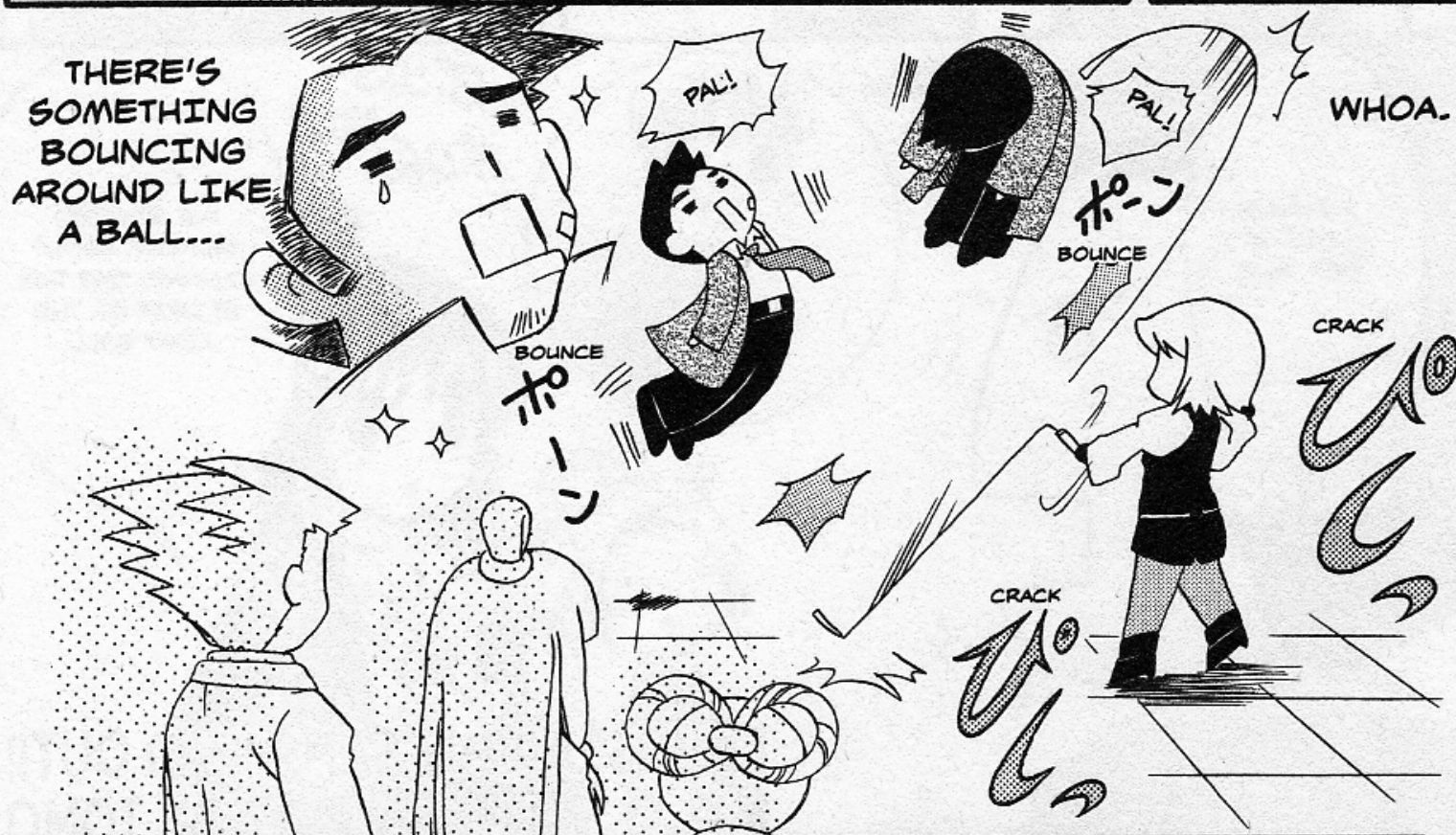
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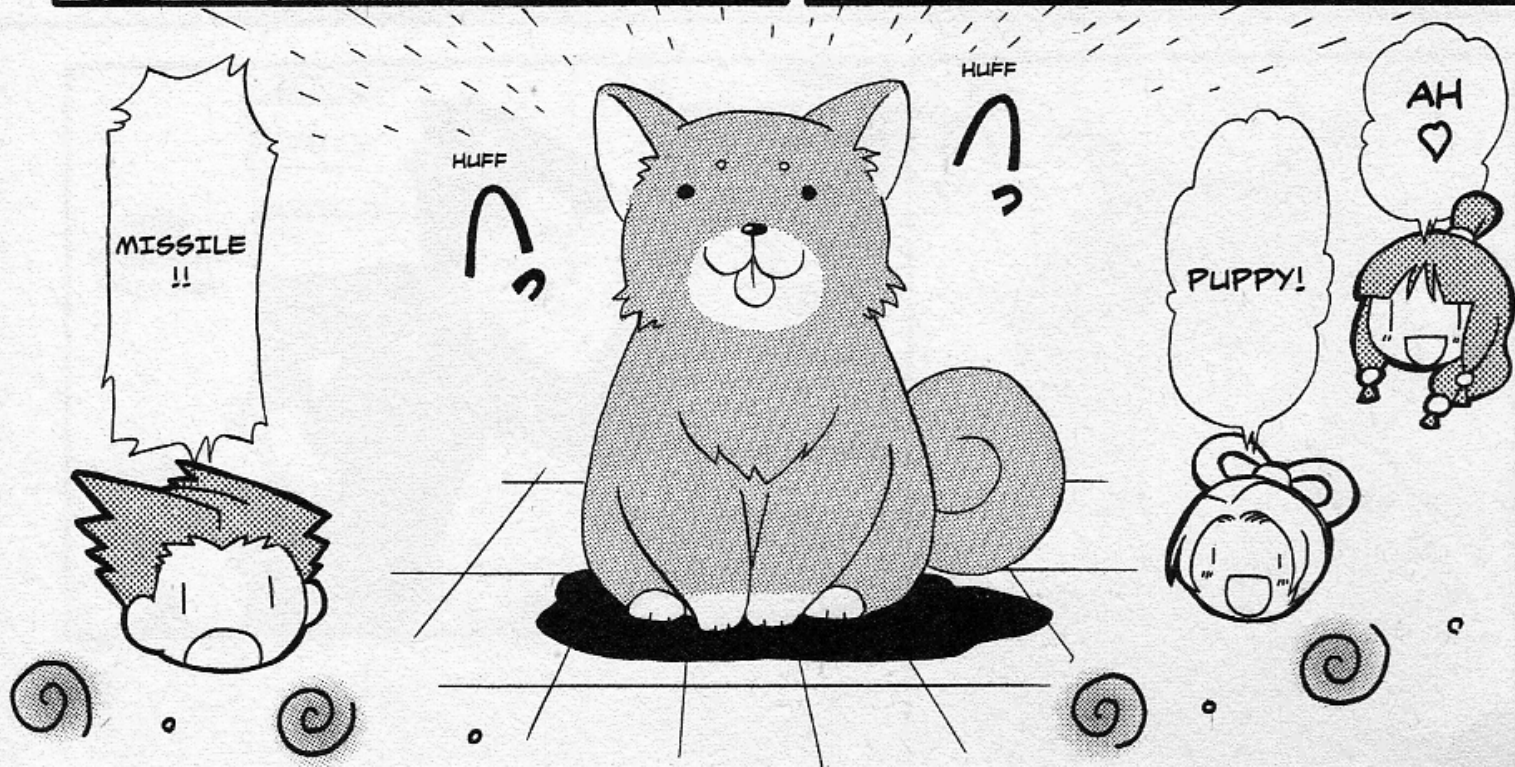
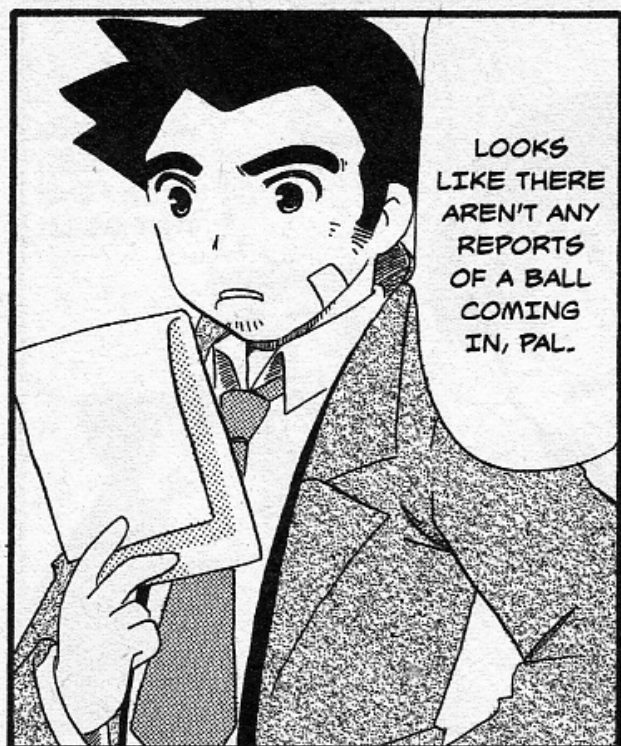


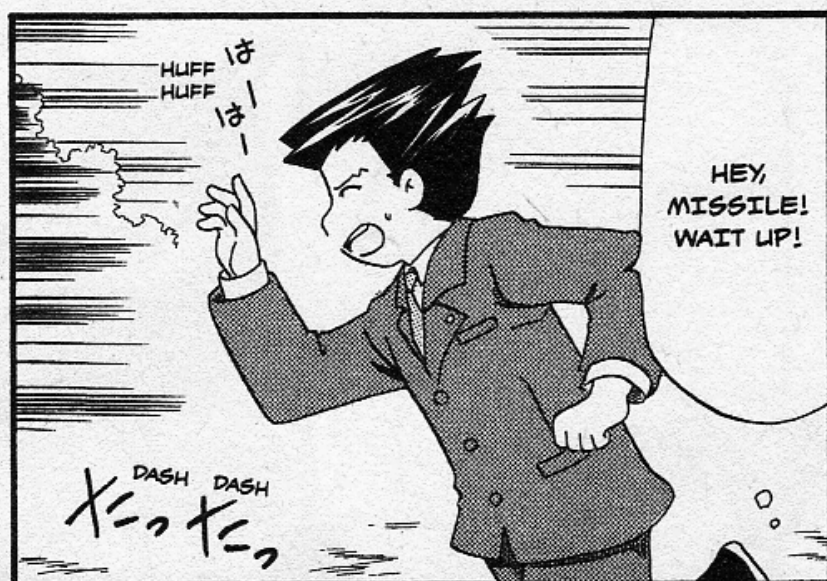
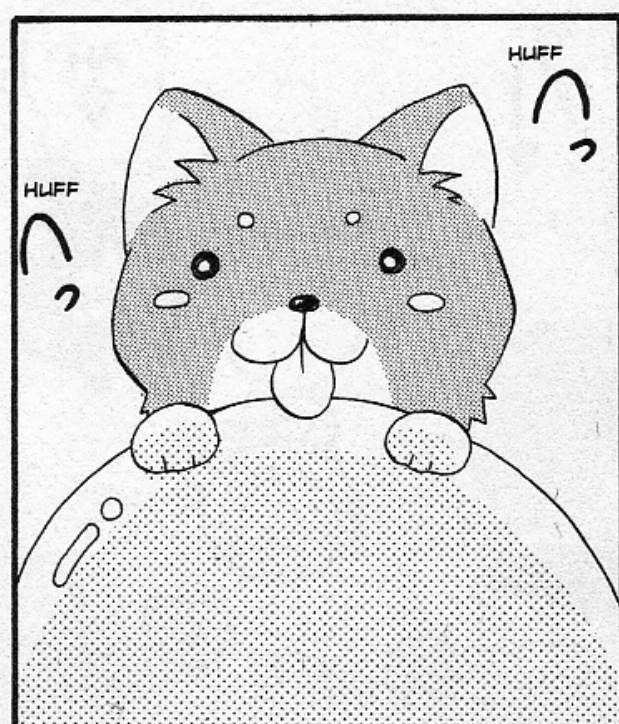


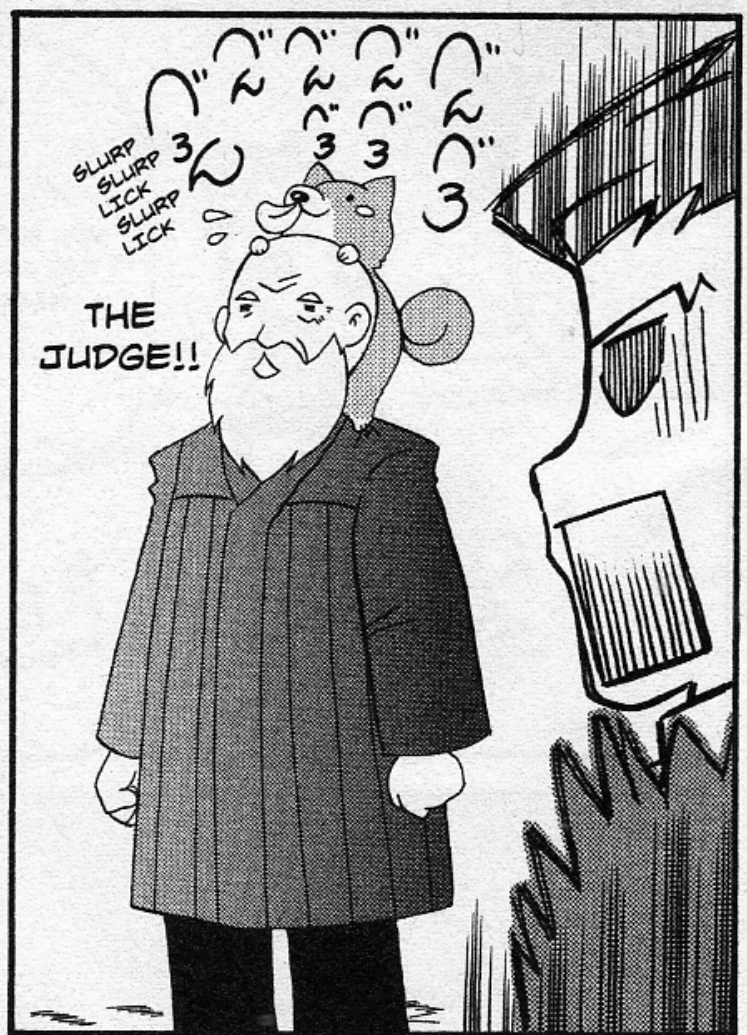
BALL SEARCH TEAM, HEAD OUT!!
BY TOMO

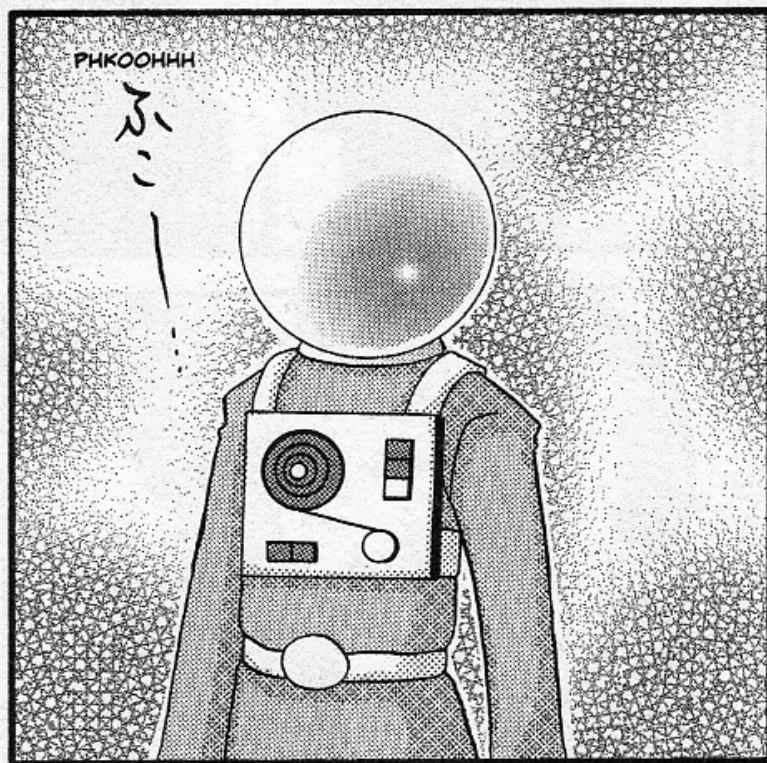


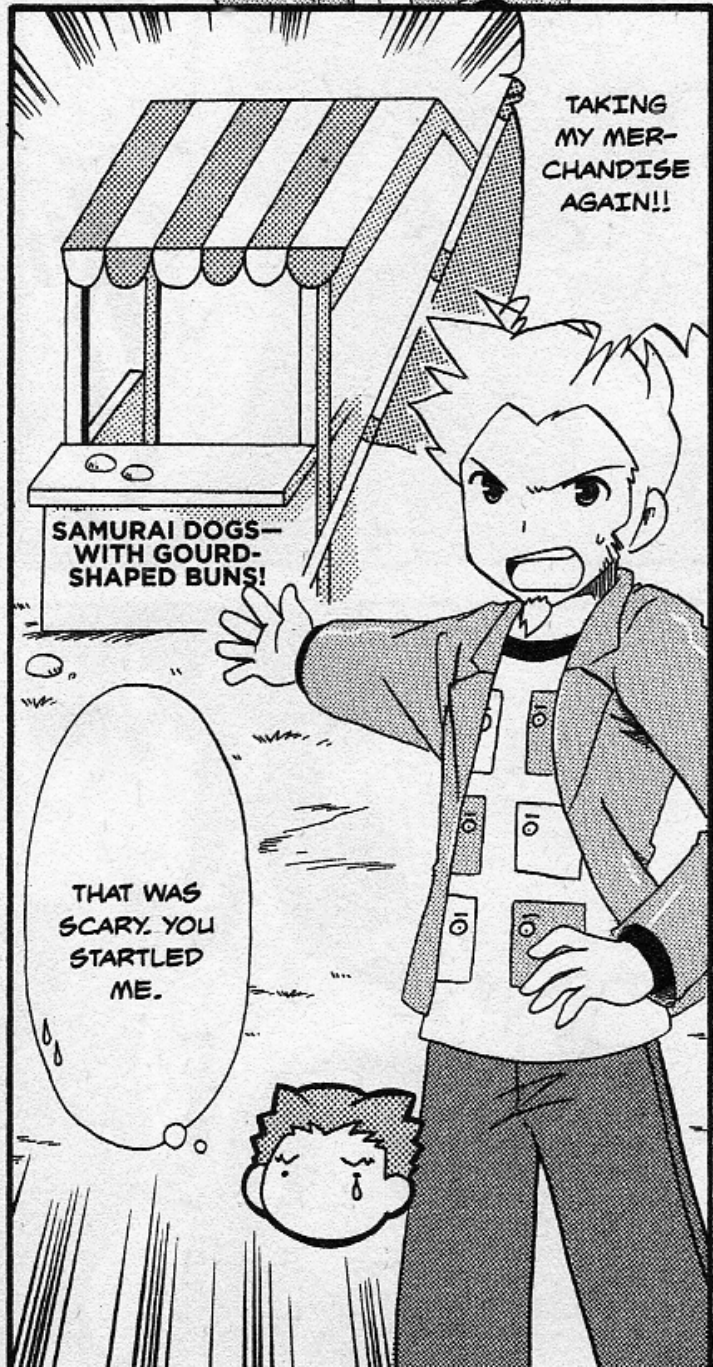
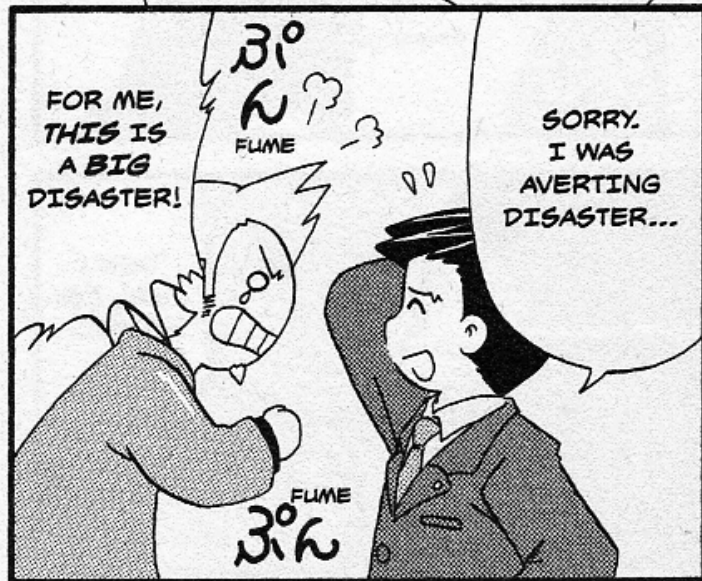
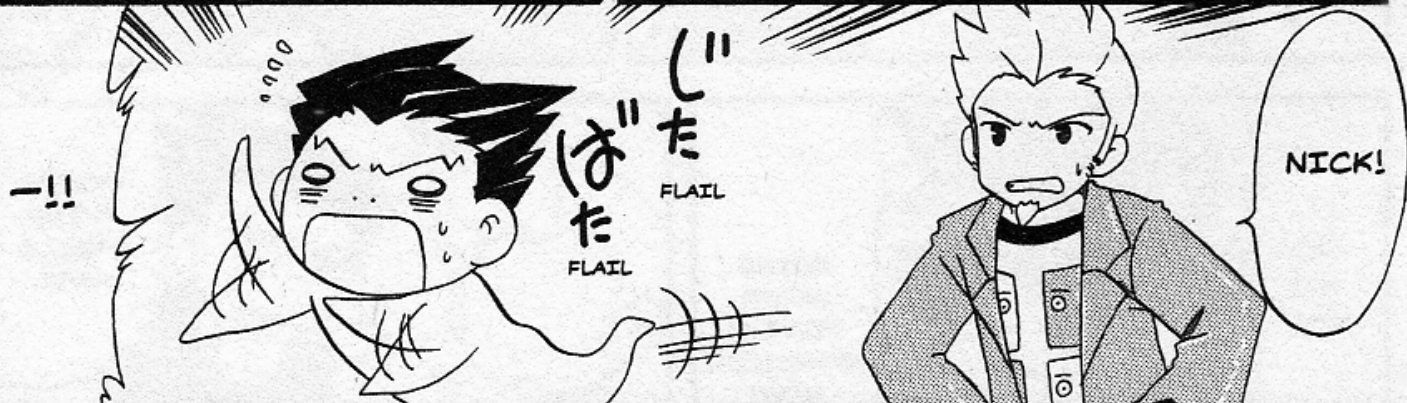
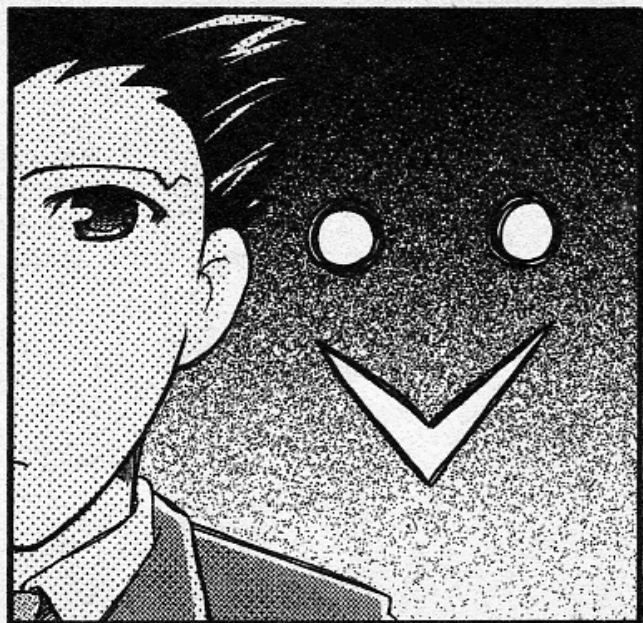


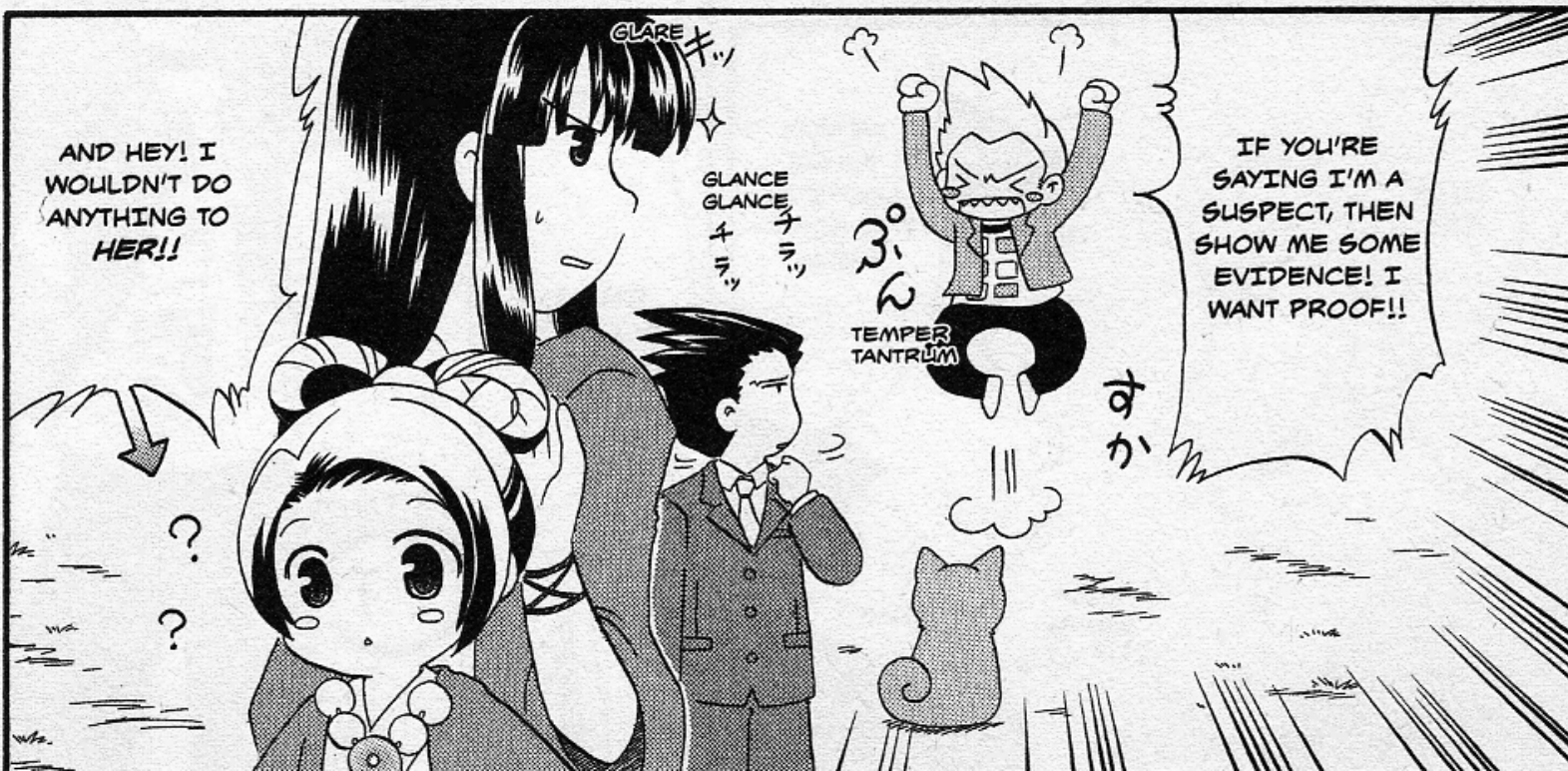
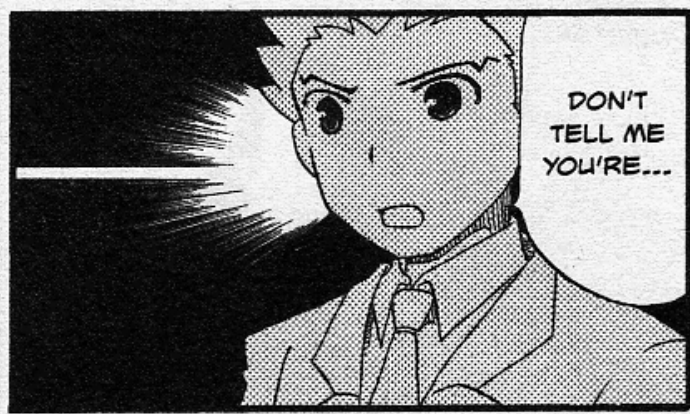


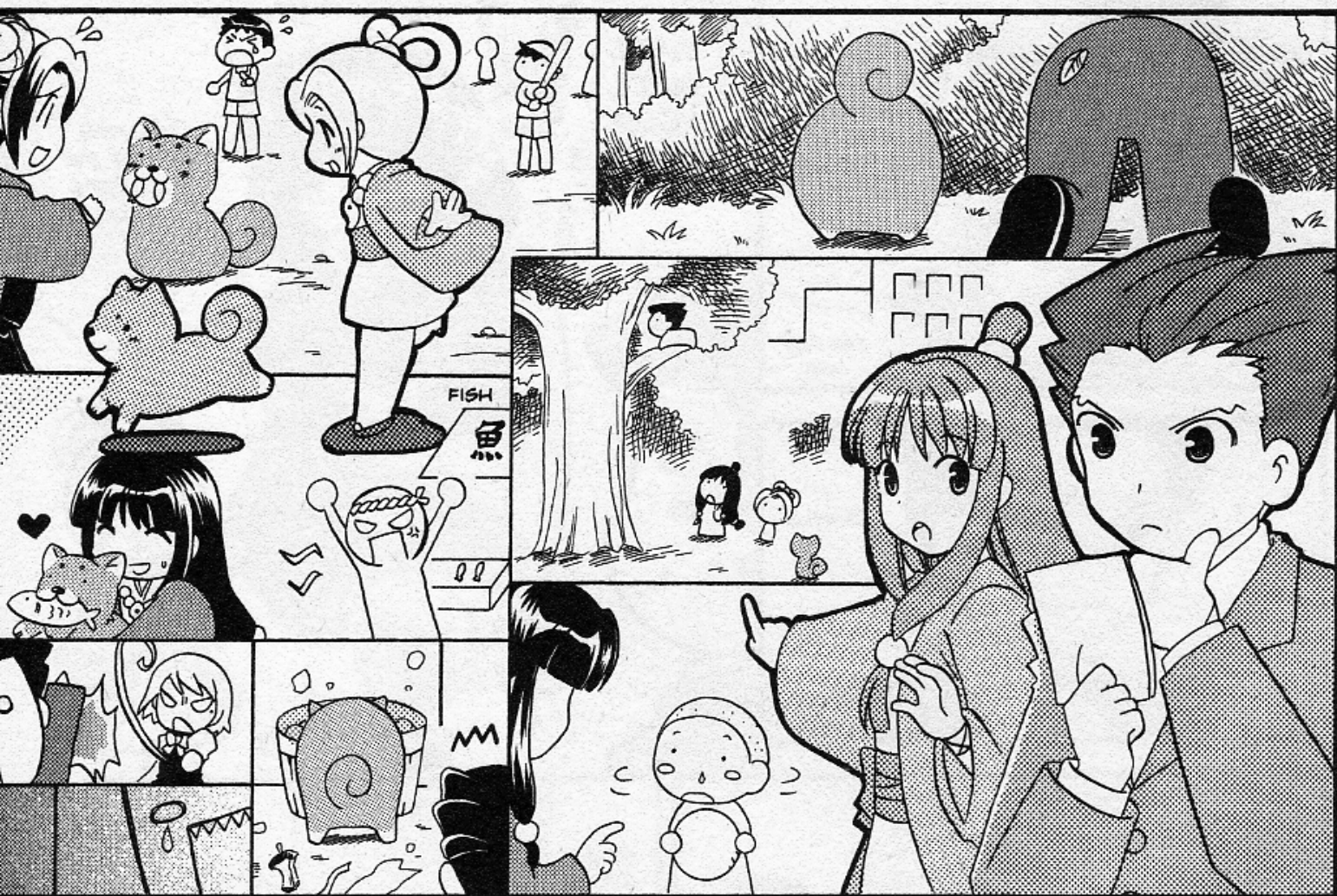
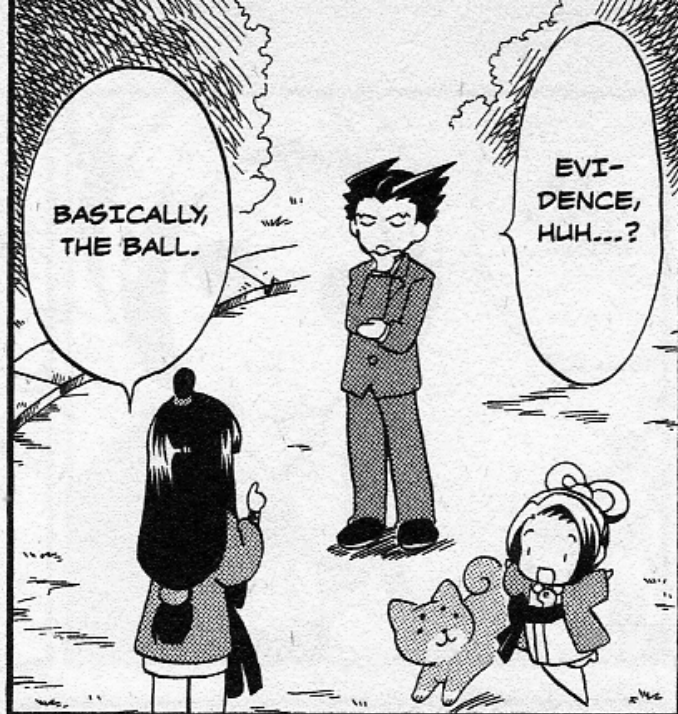


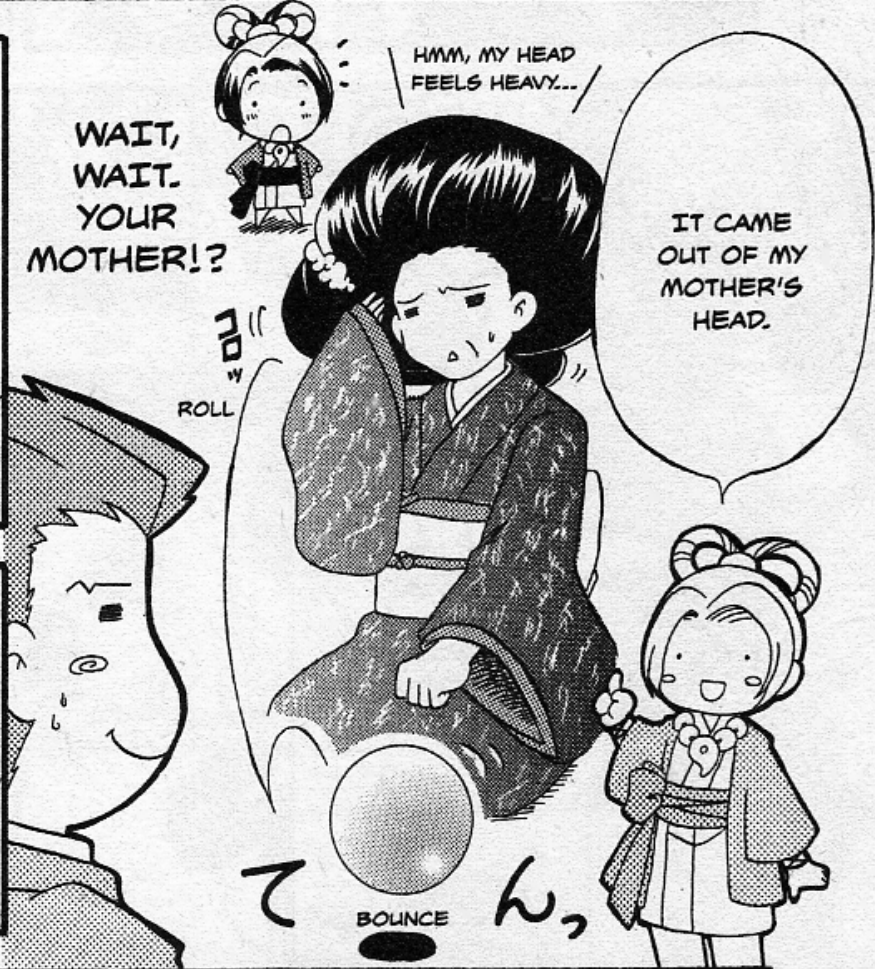
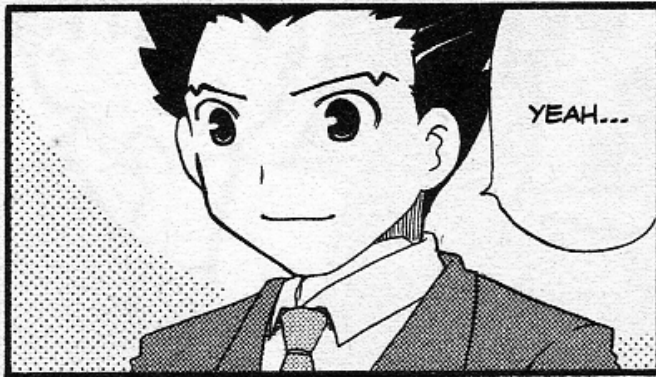
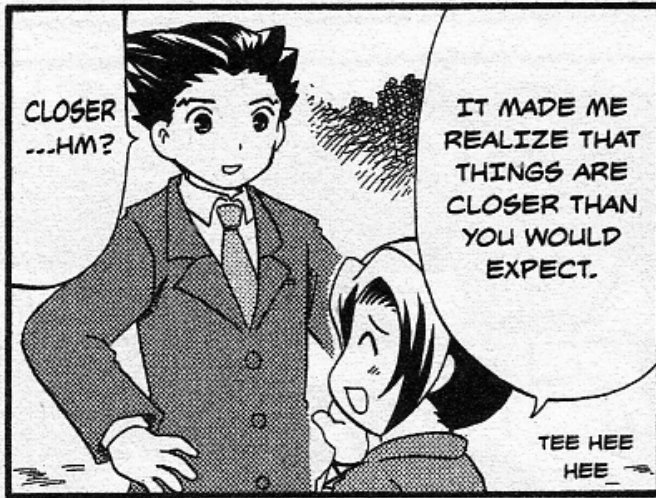






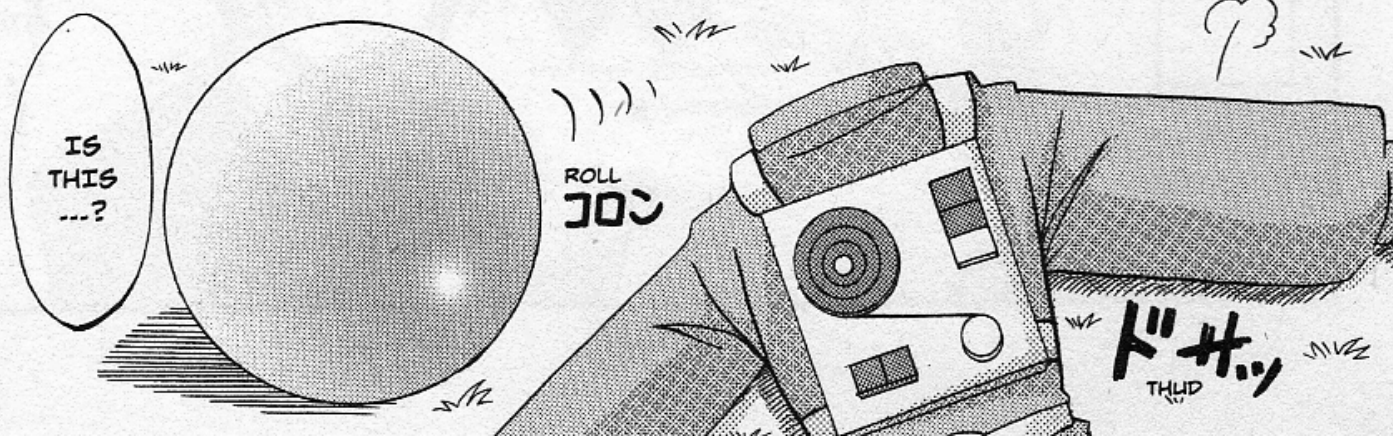
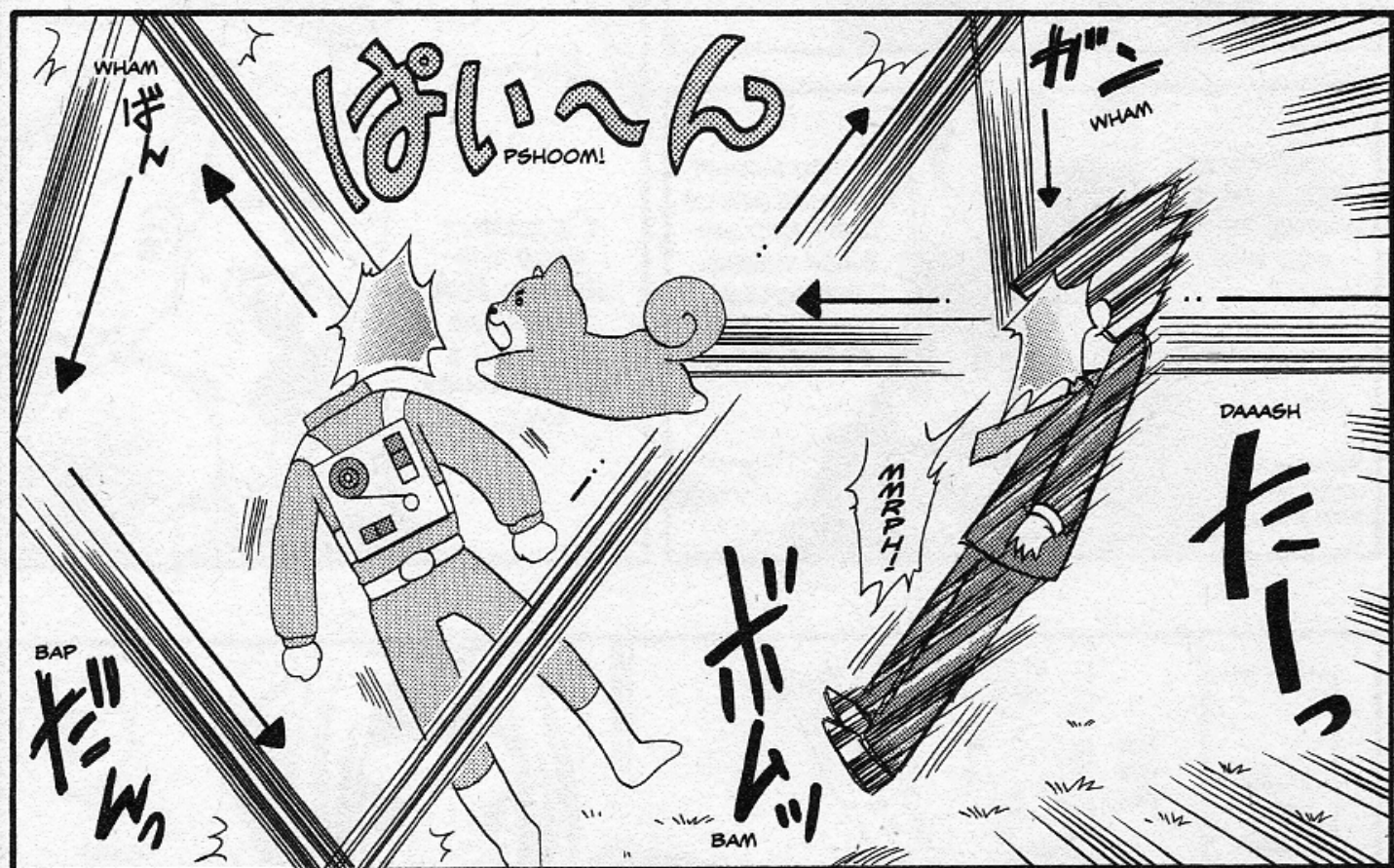


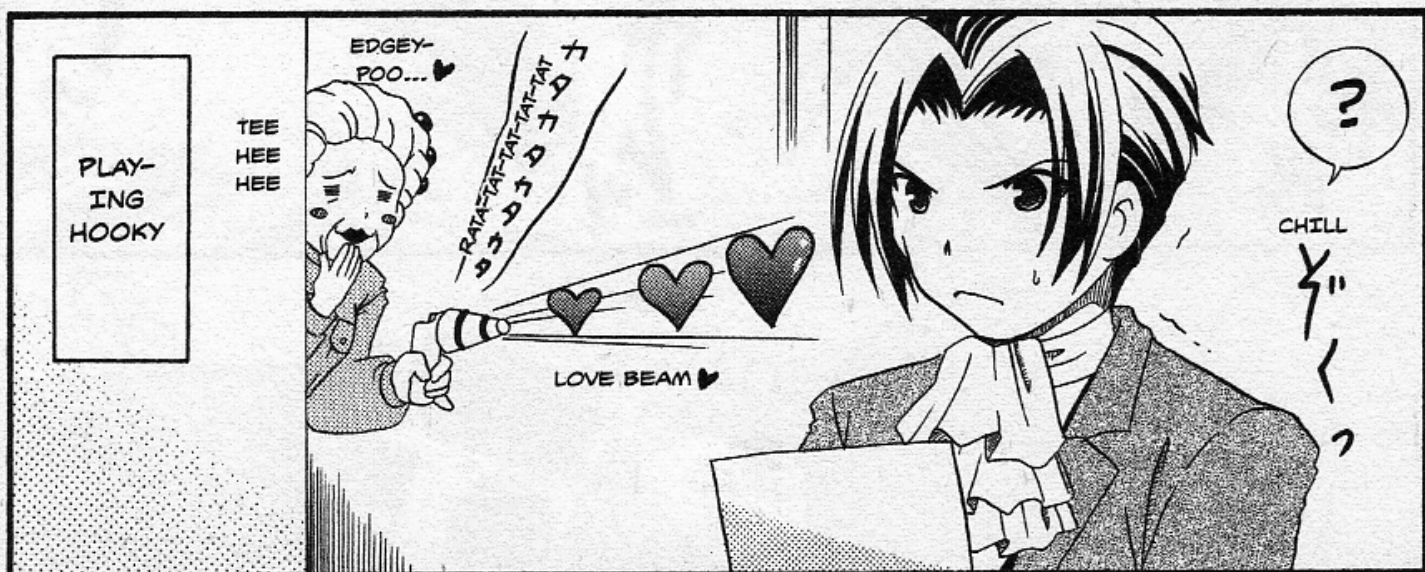






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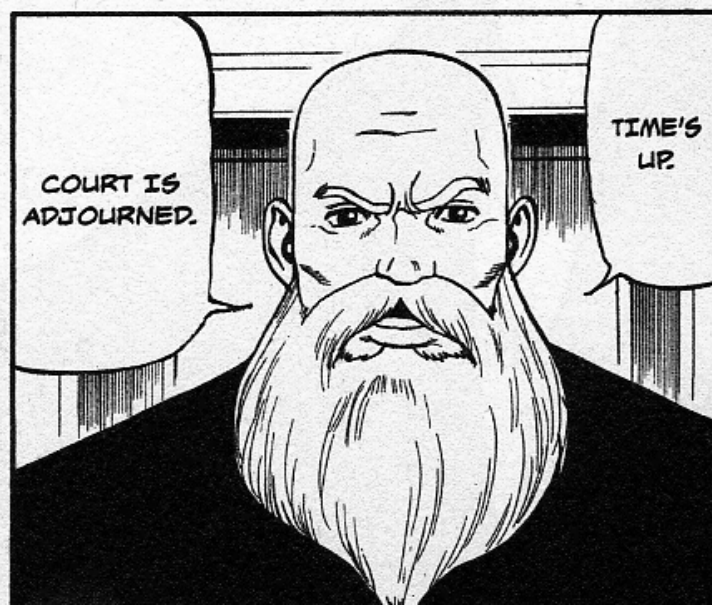




END



SO HOW
COULD THE
VICTIM HAVE
FED HIS DOG
ON THAT DAY
WHEN HE WAS
SUPPOSEDLY
MORE THAN
NINETY MILES
AWAY AT THE
TIME IN
QUESTION!!?



COURT IS
ADJOURNED.

TIME'S
UP.



CLENCH

HE...



THE LEGENDARY DEFENSE ATTORNEY
BY KIKUCHIYO ANKO

NICK!
YOU
THERE?

BUT
EVEN IF
I TRY TO
COLLECT
INFORMA-
TION...

ALMOST
ALL THE
EVIDENCE
LEFT THIS
WORLD
ALONG
WITH THE
VICTIM.

NICK?
IF YOU
SLEEP
DOWN
THERE,
YOU'LL
CATCH
COLD.

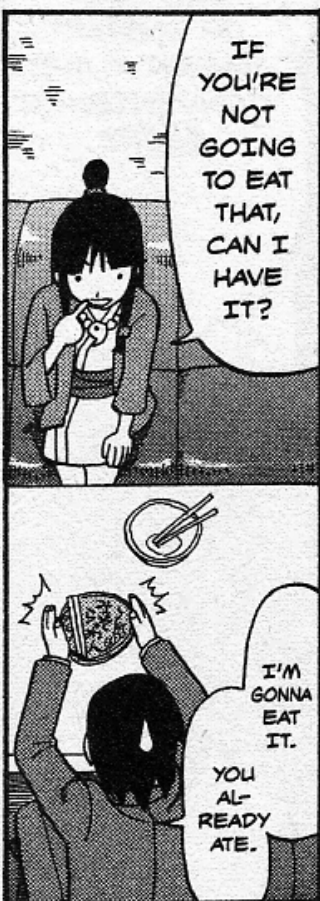
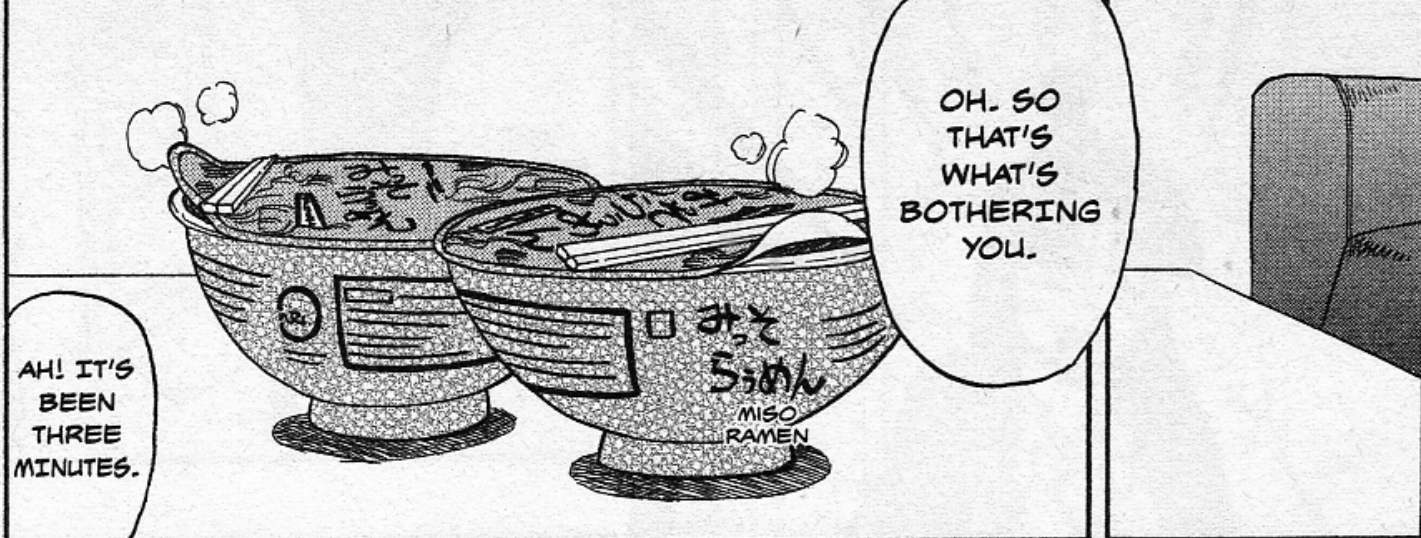
LET'S
HAVE
SOME...
UH

THEY'RE
SELLING A
NEW KIND
OF INSTANT
RAMEN AT THE
CONVENIENCE
STORE.

HUH?

みそラーメン
カレー味
CURRY
MISO
FLAVOR
JUST LIKE
CURRY &
RICE
MISO
RAMEN

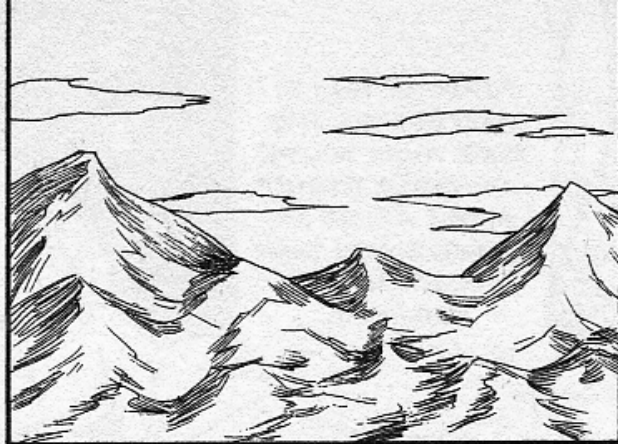
MISO
RAMEN



ONCE YOU
MASTER THE
CHANNELING
TECHNIQUE,
YOU CAN ASK
THE DEAD
PERSON
DIRECTLY!



GOOD
LUCK,
NICK!



YEOWCH!
HOT
HOT!



HOW MUCH
DO I HAVE TO
DO BEFORE I
CAN PERFORM
THE TECH-
NIQUE?



THIS
TRAINING
REALLY IS
STRAIGHT
OUT OF
A COMIC
BOOK.

FIRST OF ALL, IT HAPPENS ALL THE TIME WHEN YOU'RE CORNERED, RIGHT? AFTER YOU'RE IN TROUBLE, YOU TURN THINGS AROUND BIG TIME.

AND THEY DID IT ON LAST WEEK'S STEEL SAMURAI, TOO.

HEY!

NEXT IS BUNGEE WITHOUT A CORD.

DROP!

THEN WHY AM I...

WHAT? OH, YOU CAN'T MASTER IT WITH TRAINING LIKE THIS.

WE CREATE A PLACE WHERE THE DEAD CAN SPEAK IN THIS WORLD BY LENDING THEM OUR BODIES.

CHANNEL-
ING IS CONVERS-
ING WITH THE DEAD.

NOW THE REAL TRAINING BEGINS.

SSSSSSHHH

YOU NEED THE RIGHT AMOUNT OF PREP-ARATION AND DETERMI-NATION.

FOR YOU TO USE THE POWER, NICK,

THIS POWER WAS ORIGINALLY ONLY GIVEN TO MEMBERS OF A CHOSEN BLOOD-LINE...



HUH?
WHAT
WAS I
SUP-
POSED
TO DO
NEXT...

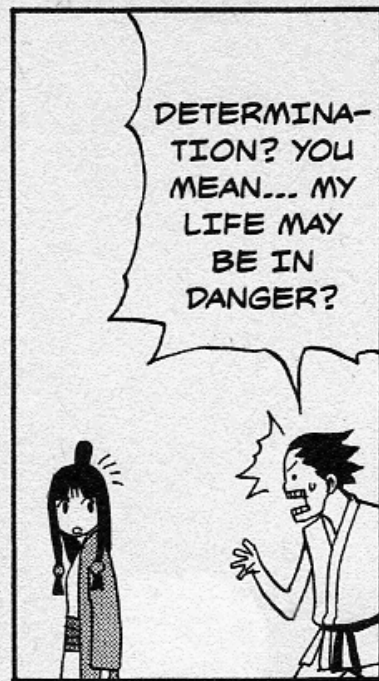
GLANCE
GLANCE

AM I
GONNA
BE
OKAY?

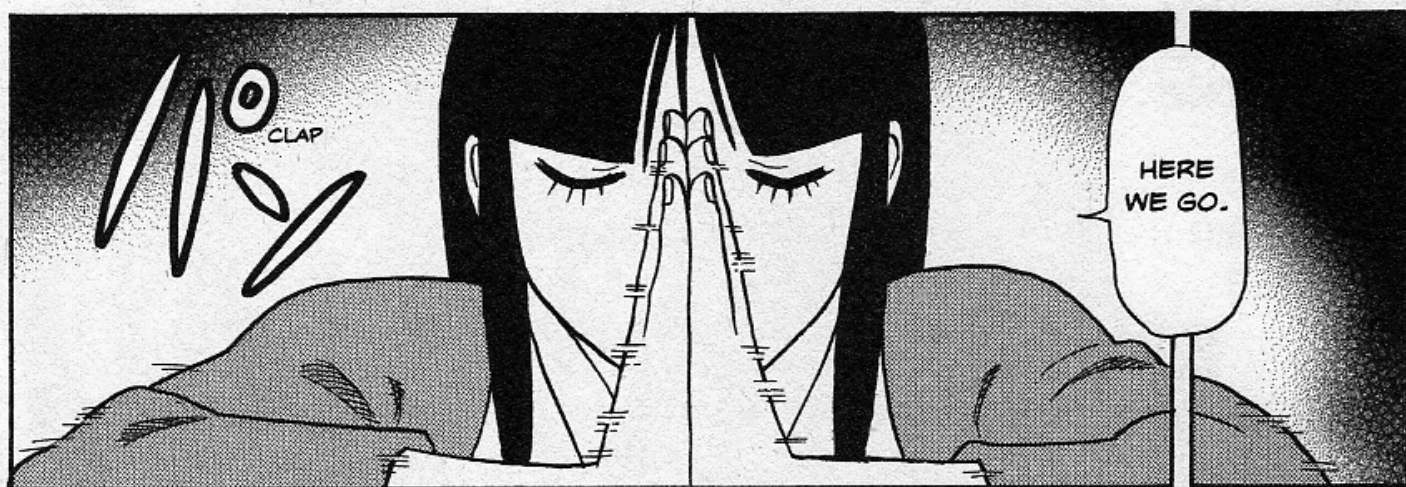


THAT'S
WHY
I'M
HERE.

RELAX.



DETERMINA-
TION? YOU
MEAN... MY
LIFE MAY
BE IN
DANGER?



HERE
WE GO.



UH...

UH...



RELAX
YOUR
BODY.
LET THE
SPIRIT
COME IN.

THERE,
AT YOUR
RIGHT
SHOULDER.
THEY'RE
HERE!



IT'S A
CONVER-
SATION,
NICK.
UNDER-
STAND?

I
KNOW

GYAAAAAAAAAHHHH!

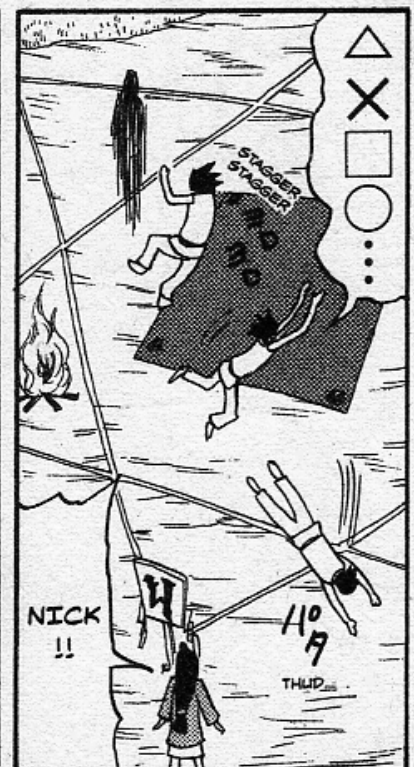
ARE
YOU
THE
ONE

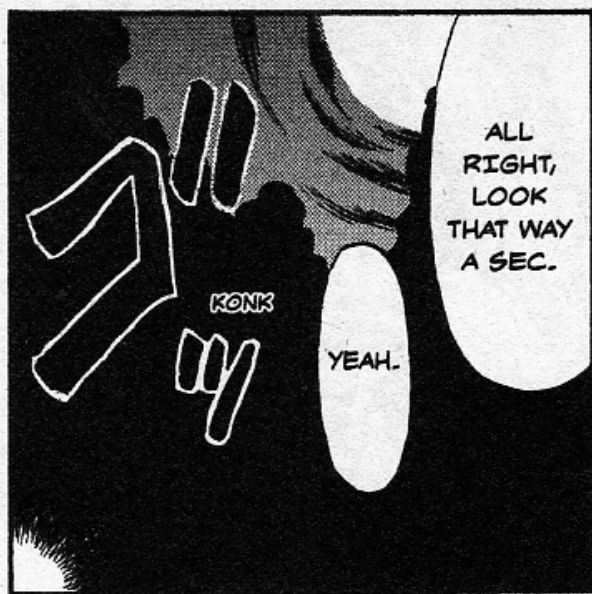
WHO
CALLED
ME?

I
KNOW,
RIIIIGHT
?

YOU DON'T
HAVE TO
ACT SO
SCARED...

IT'S JUST THAT
SHE WAS IN
AN ACCIDENT
THAT MESSED
UP HALF HER
FACE AND SHE
WASN'T FOUND
UNTIL THREE
MONTHS LATER
AND HAS ROT-
TED A LITTLE.





ALL
RIGHT,
LOOK
THAT WAY
A SEC.

YEAH.



PLEASE
DO.

WE
HAVE NO
CHOICE.
WE'LL
USE A
DIF-
FERENT
METHOD.

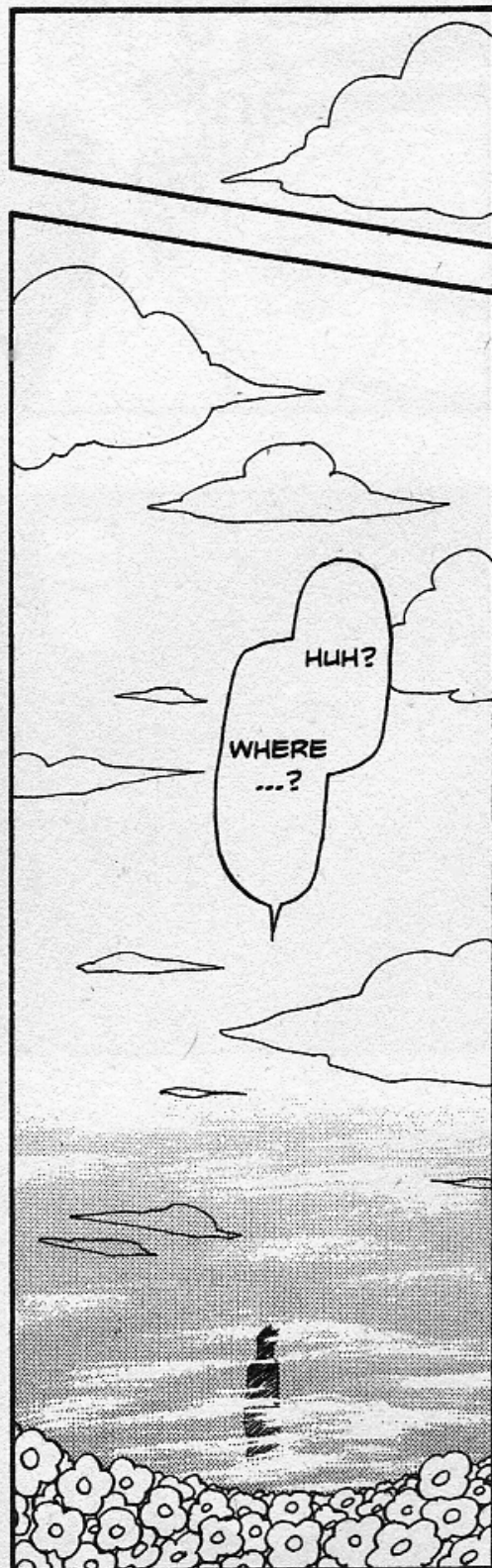


WE HEARD
ALL ABOUT
YOU FROM
MAYA.

ARE
YOU MR.
WRIGHT?

AH...
YES.

BUT IT'S
A LITTLE
DIFFER-
ENT THAN
WE HAD
PLANNED.



HUH?

WHERE
...?



I DID IT!
THIS TIME,
IT'S A
SUCCESS!

THIS IS
WHAT SHE
MEANT BY
CONVER-
SATION,
RIGHT?

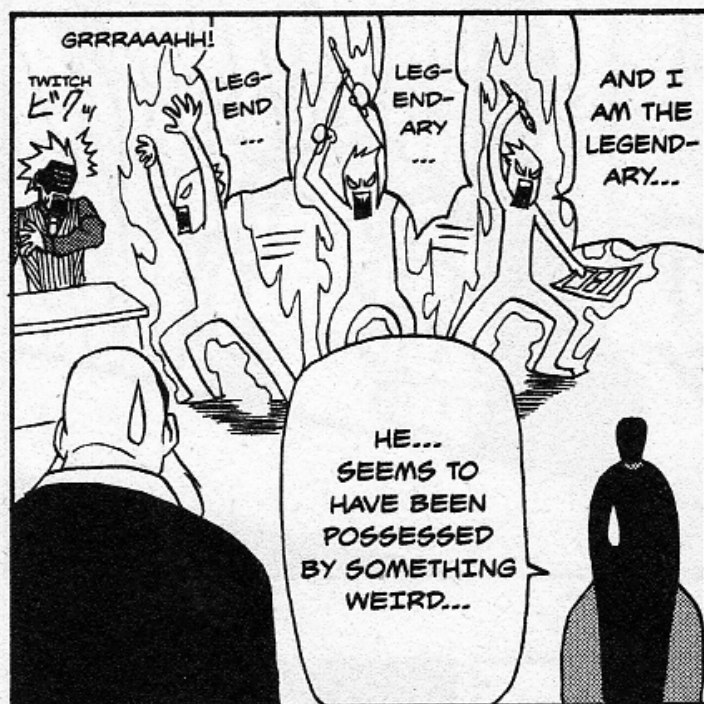




ARE YOU
MY NEXT
OPPONENT
!?

I
AM THE
LEGENDARY
FIGHTER!

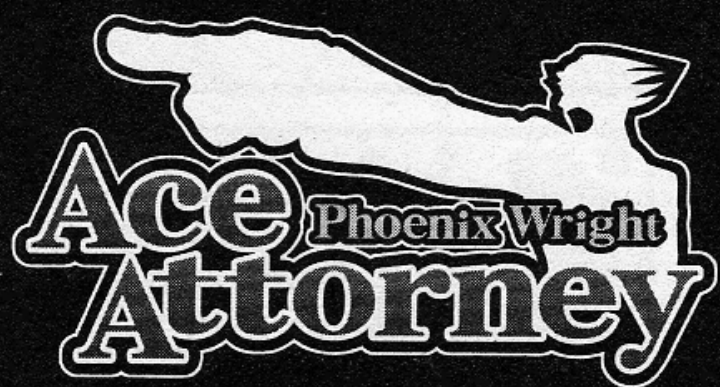
NOTE: PHOENIX
WRIGHT



PRIDE OF AN IDOL

YOU CAN COMPARE ME TO HIM(?), BUT...





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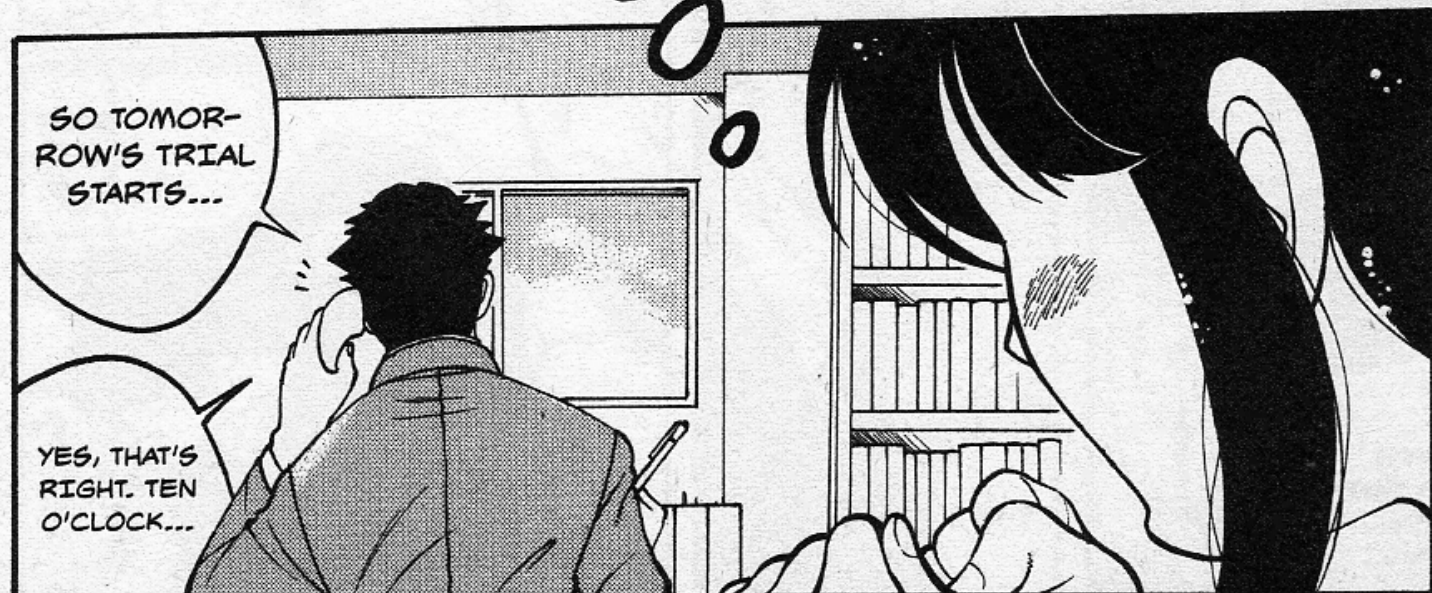
TURNABOUT
PRESSING
QUESTIONS
THRUST...

CLENCH

DEATH
BLOW
....!!

EVIDENCE
PRESENTING
ATTACK!!!

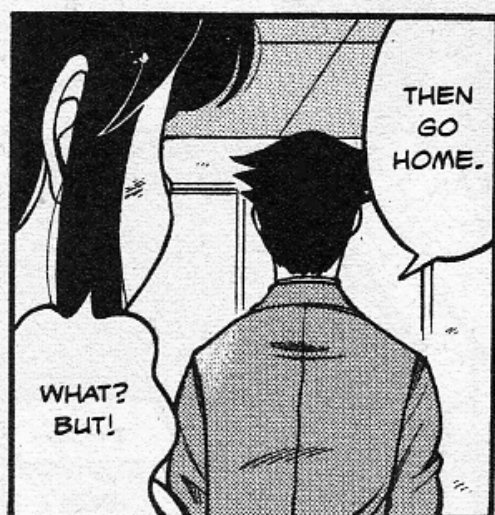
MAYA'S BLUE SKIES
BY WATARU YAMASAKI

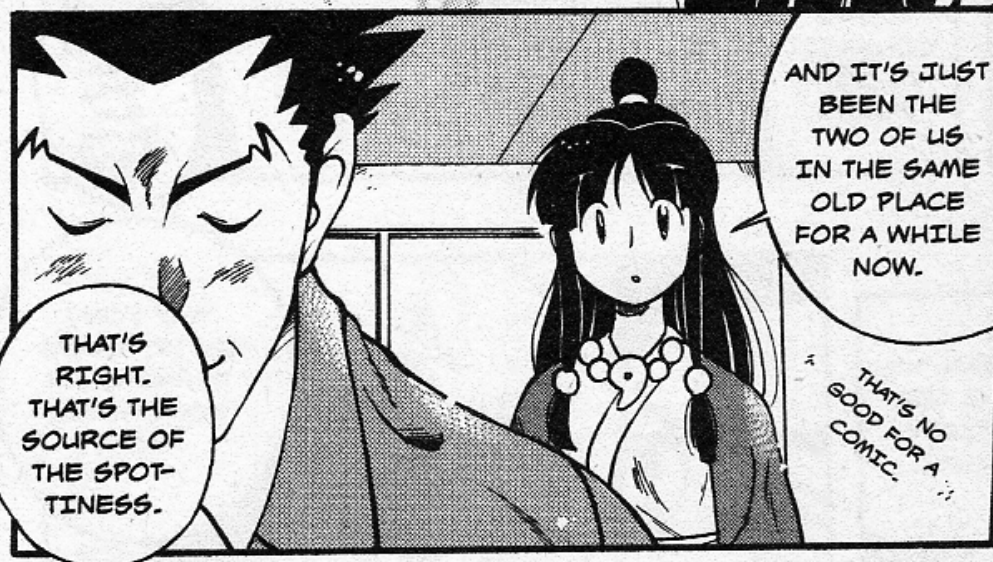


SO TOMOR-
ROW'S TRIAL
STARTS...

YES, THAT'S
RIGHT. TEN
O'CLOCK...







MR.
GUM-
SHOE!?

WHERE'D
YOU
GET IN
FROM!!?

HE DID
IT, PAL!!

BAM

WASH
!!

THERE'S
ABSOLUTELY
NO DOUBT
ABOUT IT!!

I WAS ON THE
PHONE...

YEAH,
WELL...

YOUR
CLIENT IS
MR. GUM-
SHOE?

HE'S GOTTA
BE THE ONE,
PAL!!

I'M
TELLING
YOU, I
DIDN'T
DO IT!!

I KNOW
IT WAS
YOU, PAL!

YOU
KICKED
THE DOOR
DOWN!!

WHAT'S
GOING
ON?

WAH!

HARRY
!!?

WHAM

I DIDN'T
DO ANY-
THING!!

IT WASN'T
ME! IT DIS-
APPEARED
ON ITS
OWN!!

THIS GUY
ERASED
MY GAME!!

WOW!
WHAT A TINY
CASE!

WELL,
THAT'S
TRUE,
BUT...

I CAN'T
HELP IT. I
DON'T HAVE
ANY WORK.

I HAVE NO
CHOICE...

I SAID
IT WASN'T
ME!!

HOW DARE
YOU ERASE
MY GAME,
PAL!!

I'M MORE AND
MORE WOR-
RIED ABOUT
THIS MANGA.

HOW
WOULD A
BORING CASE
LIKE THIS
DEVELOP?

NICK, YOU CAN'T
TAKE A CASE
LIKE THIS—

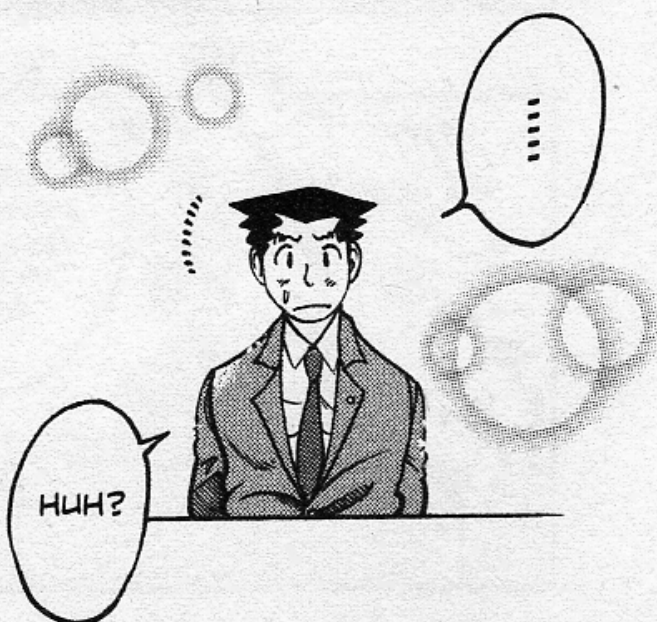
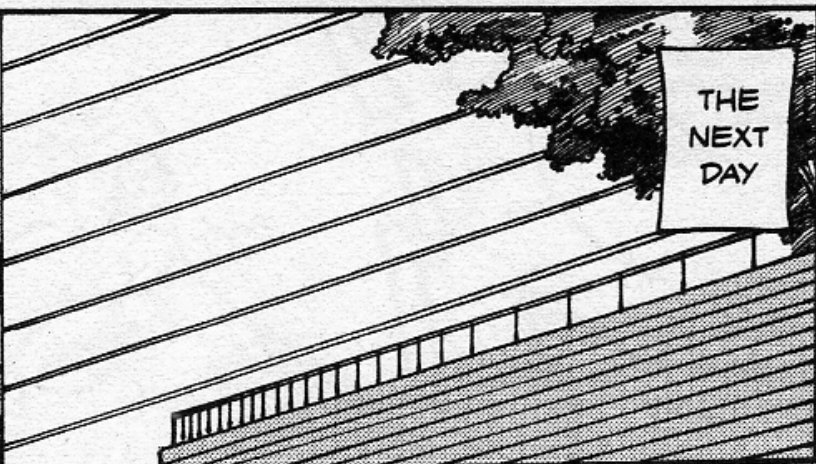
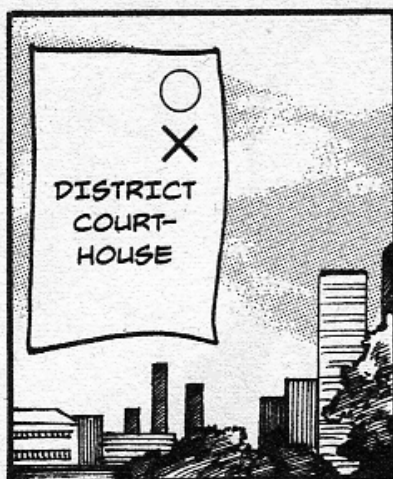
WAAAAHH

IT WAS
YOU!

I DIDN'T
DO IT!

CUT IT
OUT!

YOU'RE
LYING!



THE LAST HEAT
OF SUMMER IS
STILL STRONG
INDEED.

MY, MY. IT'S
AS HOT AS
ALWAYS IN
COURT TODAY!

THAT'S
RIGHT,
IT IS!

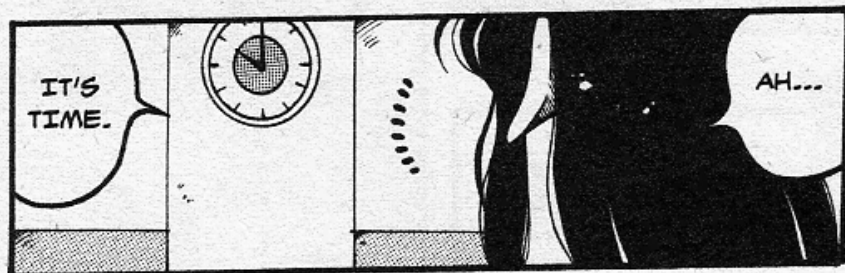
THAT'S
RIGHT!

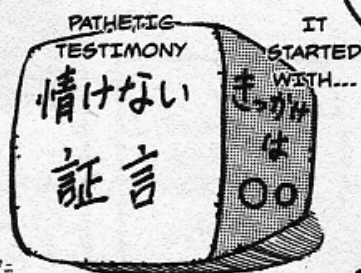
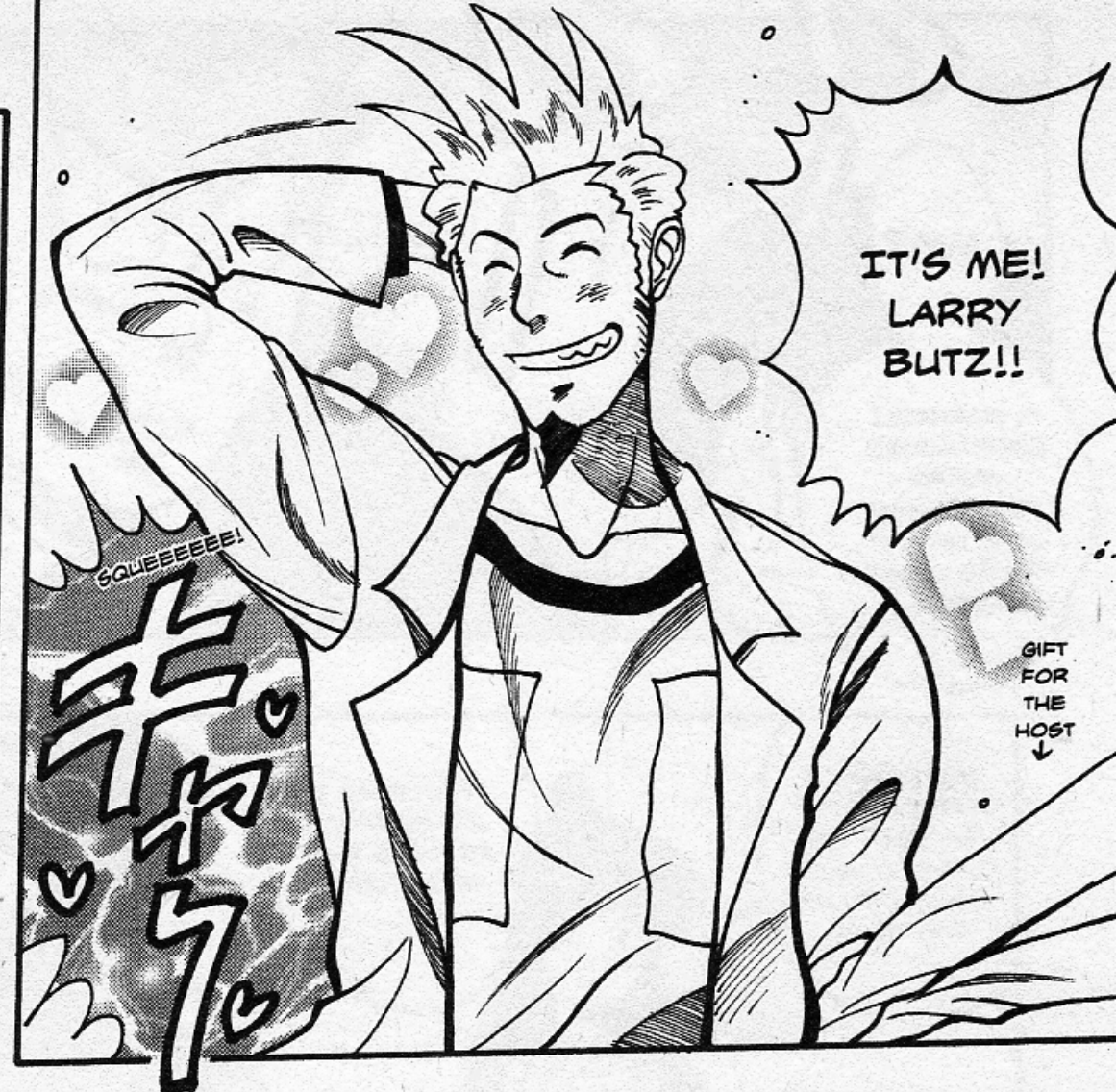
WHAT?

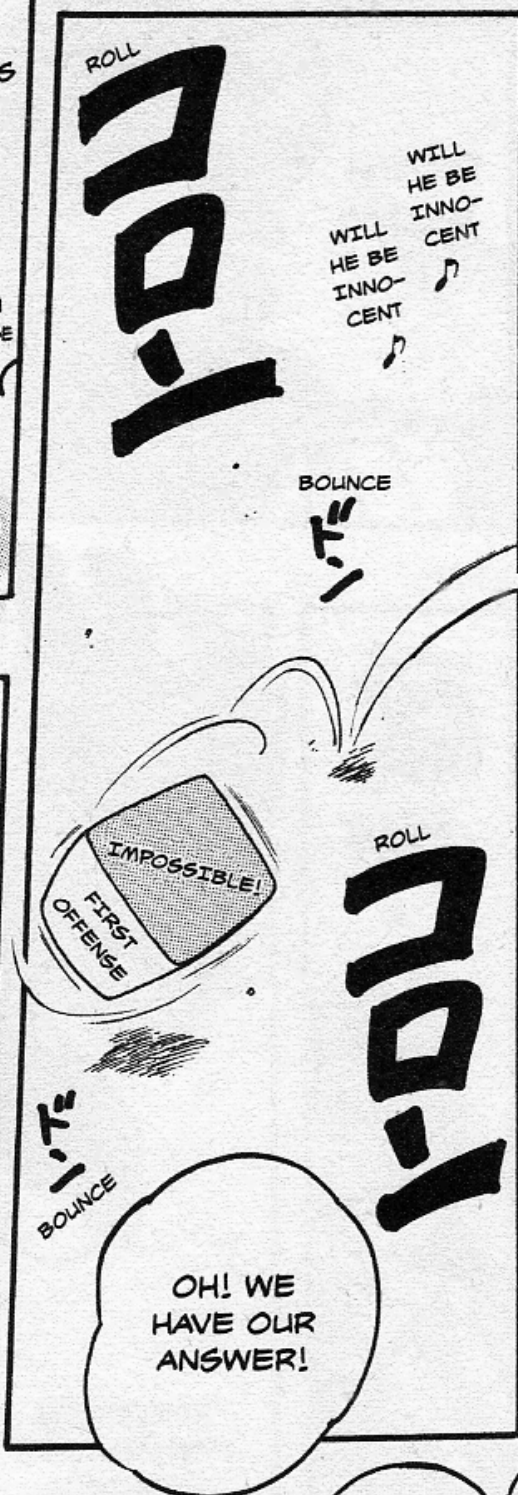
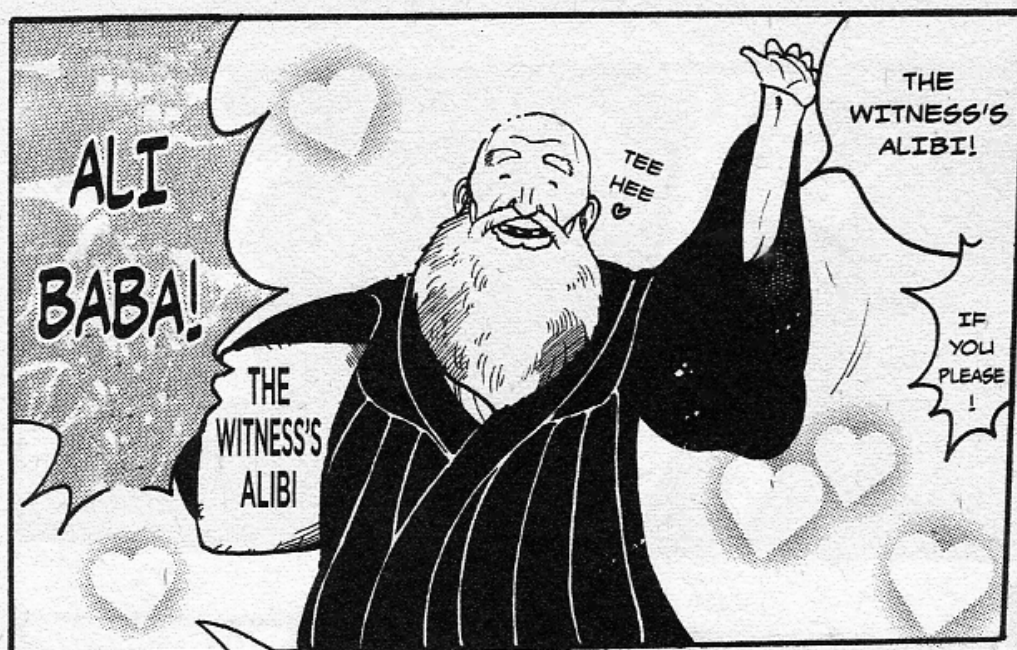
THAT'S
RIDICU-
LOUS!

I HEAR THAT
IN OCTOBER,
THE DAYS
REVERT TO
MIDSUMMER.

FOR TODAY'S
ANNOUNCER... I
MEAN DEFENSE,
WE HAVE MR.
WRIGHT!









END

AAAAAAHHH!!

PAL?

THAT'S
BETTER
...

THE MYSTERY OF THE MISSING MANJŪ BY TSUKAPON

JUDGING
FROM THE
CIRCUM-
STANCES, MAYA
IS CLEARLY
THE CULPRIT,
BUT SHE
DENIES THE
CLAIMS....!
WHAT IS THE
TRUTH OF THE
MATTER!?

IT
WASN'T
ME!

DETECTIVE
GUMSHOE
CAME OUT OF
THE REST-
ROOM TO
FIND THAT
THE SAMU-
RAI MANJŪ
THAT HE HAD
BROUGHT TO
EAT WITH
EVERYONE
HAD BEEN
EATEN....!!

'SAMURAI MANJŪ'
'SAMURAI MANJŪ'
'SAMURAI MANJŪ'
'SAMURAI MANJŪ'
[ETC.]



WHAT ARE YOU
BLABBERING
ABOUT? IT'S ONLY
NATURAL THAT YOU
WOULD ATTEMPT TO
PROVE THE INNO-
CENCE OF YOUR OWN
SUBORDINATE!!

HOLD ON A
SECOND...!!
WHEN DID
WE DECIDE
THAT I
WOULD
DEFEND
HER?



WHEN I GOT TO
THE LOBBY, THERE
WAS A BOX OF
SAMURAI MANJI
ON THE TABLE...

LET'S SEE... I WENT
OUT TO LUNCH WITH
NICK... AND I GOT
BACK TO THE LOBBY
BEFORE HE DID.

WITNESS

TESTIMONY

WHEN I TURNED
THE CORNER
INTO THE
LOBBY...

I THOUGHT
I SAW
SOMEONE'S
SHADOW.

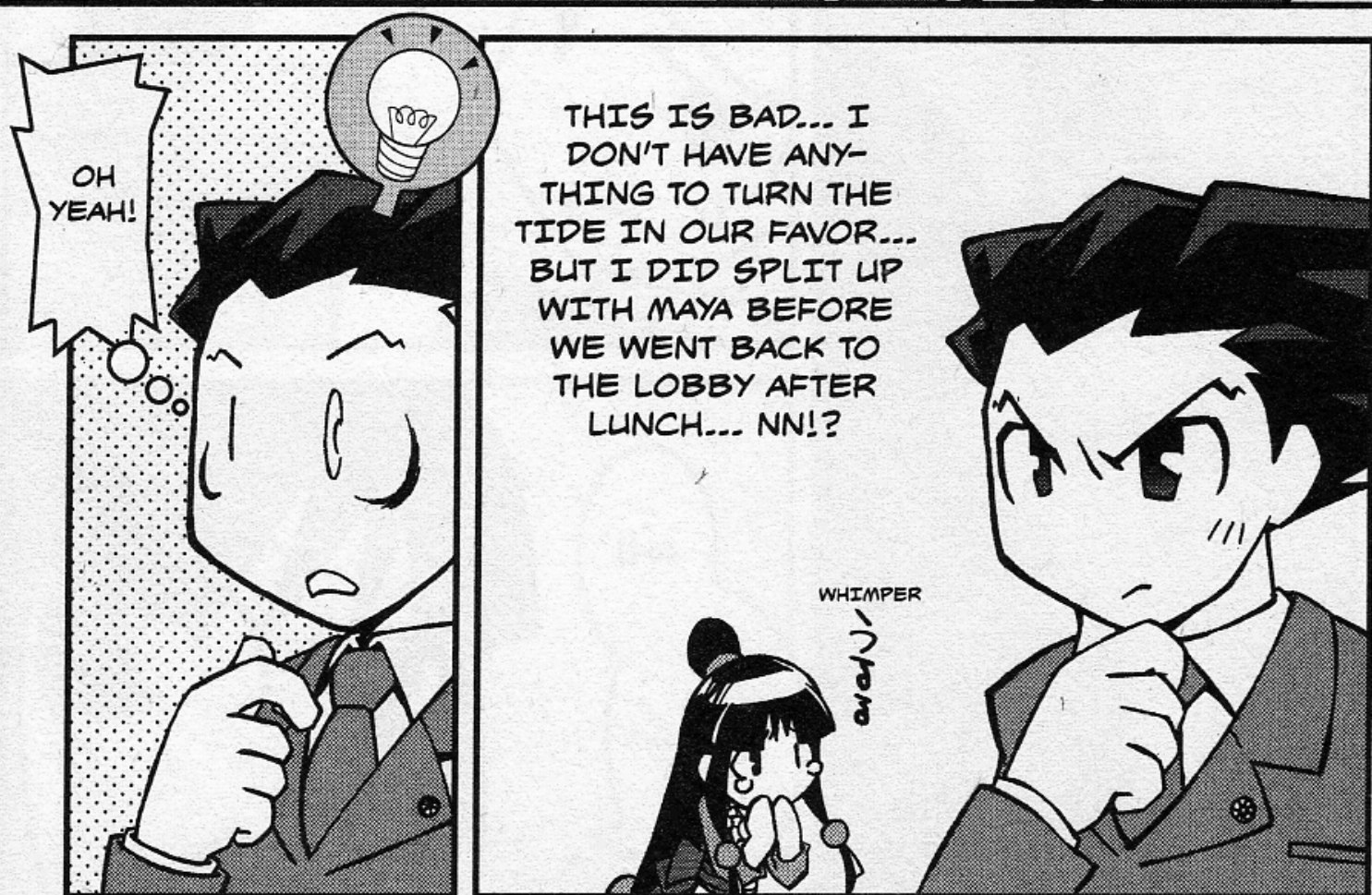
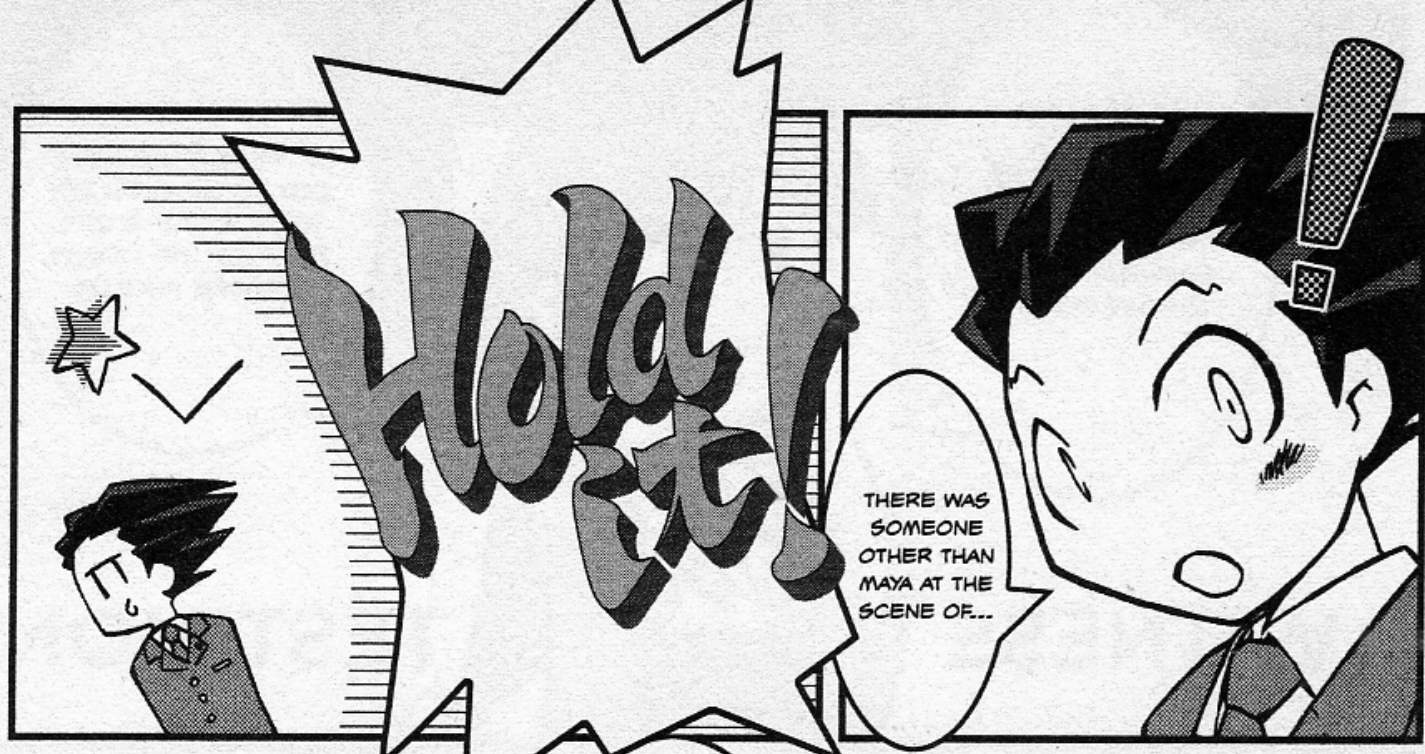
SHE REALLY
WAS GOING TO
EAT THEM...

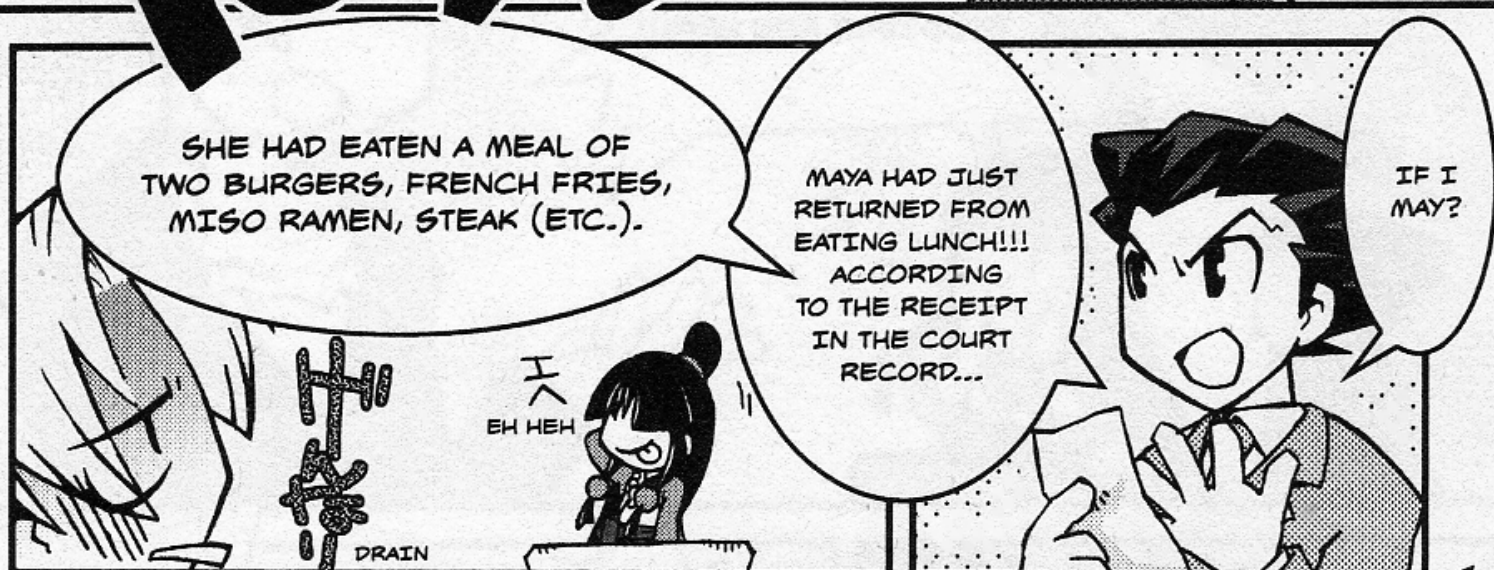
I THOUGHT I
WOULD JUST
TAKE A LITTLE
TASTE, BUT
THE BOX WAS
EMPTY.

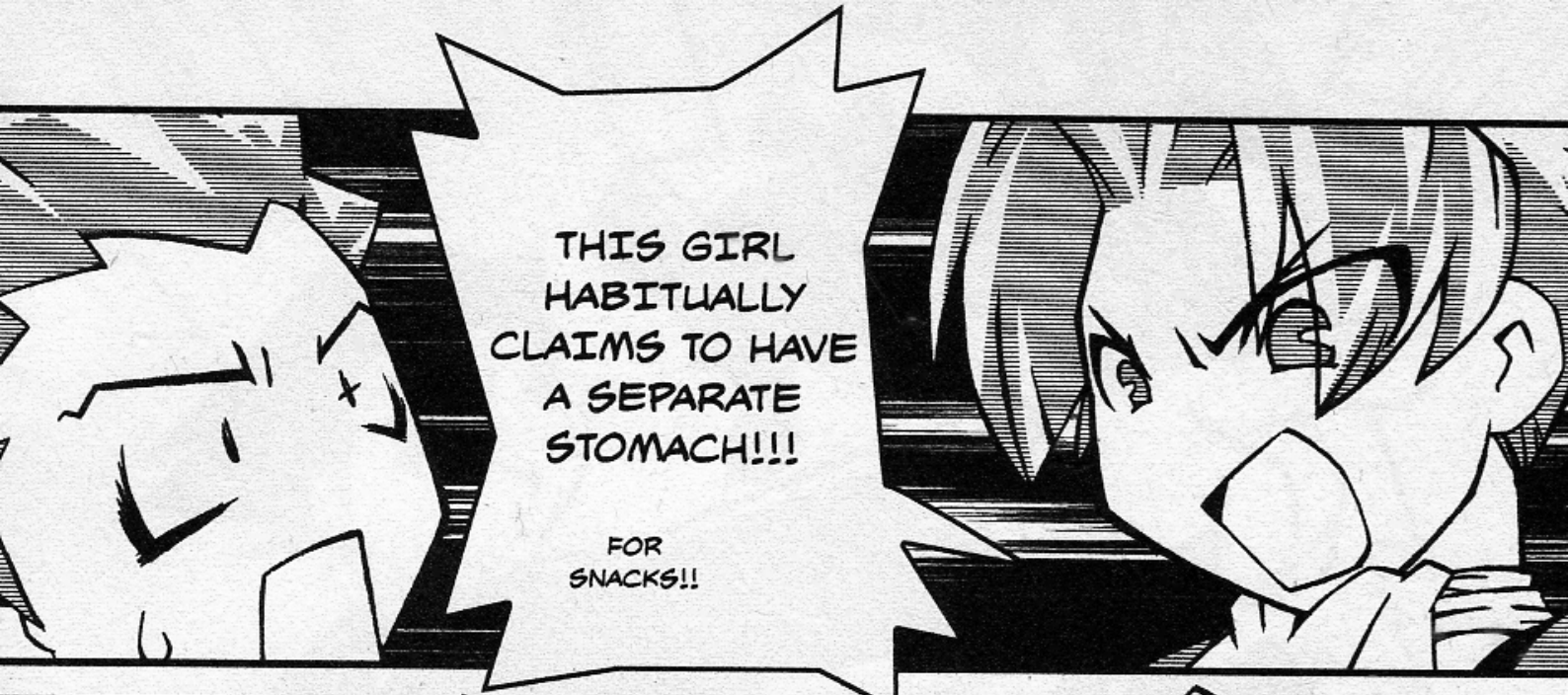
うんざり
GLOOM

AH!

BUT...







THIS GIRL
HABITUALLY
CLAIMS TO HAVE
A SEPARATE
STOMACH!!!

FOR
SNACKS!!



WITH MAYA'S
ABNORMAL APPETITE!
THIS CRIME SHOULD
BE MORE THAN
POSSIBLE FOR HER!!!

SHOOOCK

HOW
MEAN!

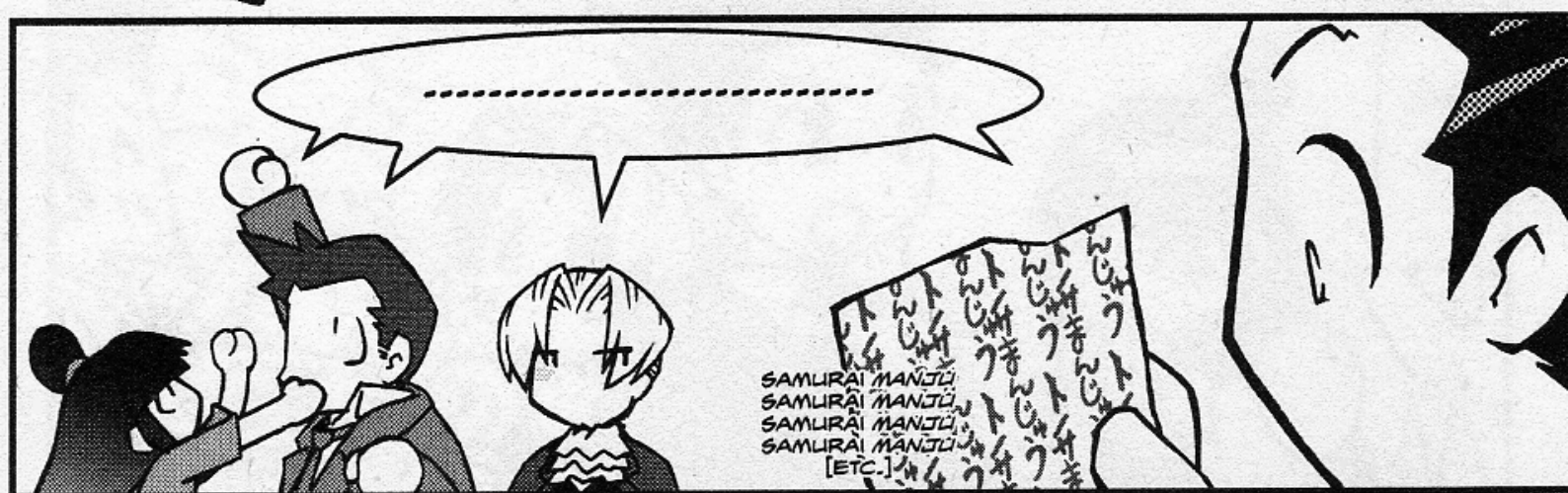
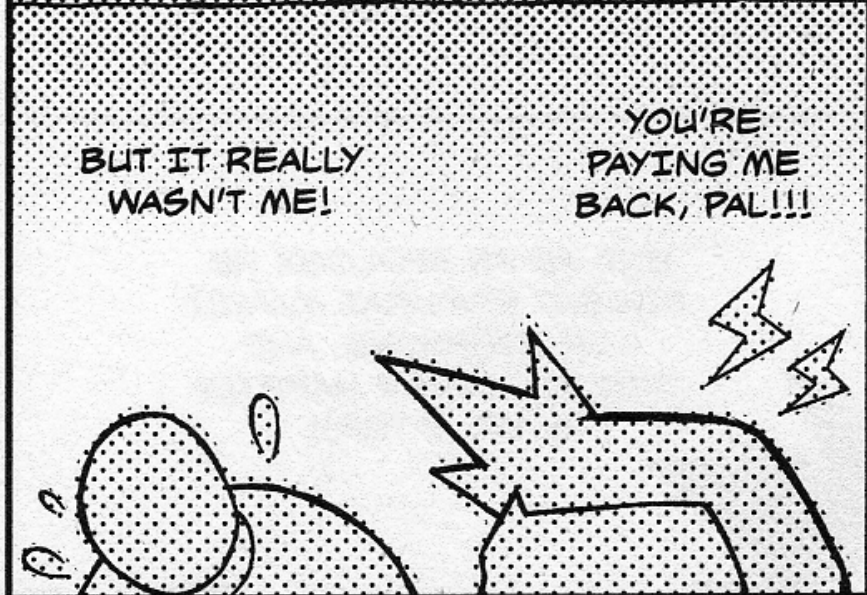
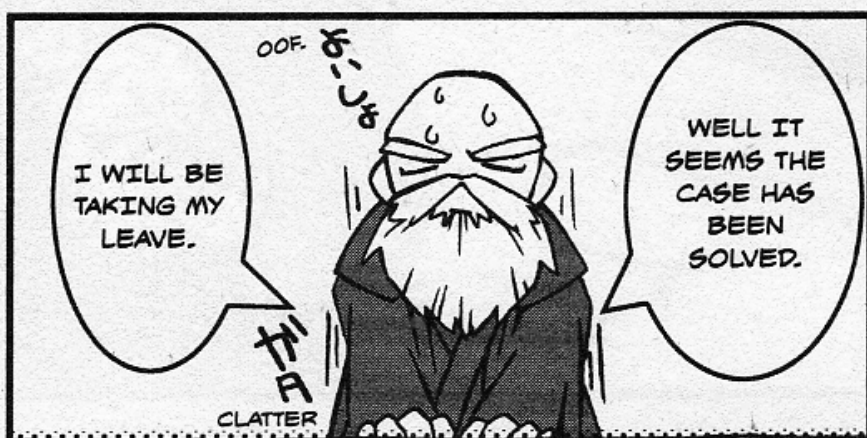
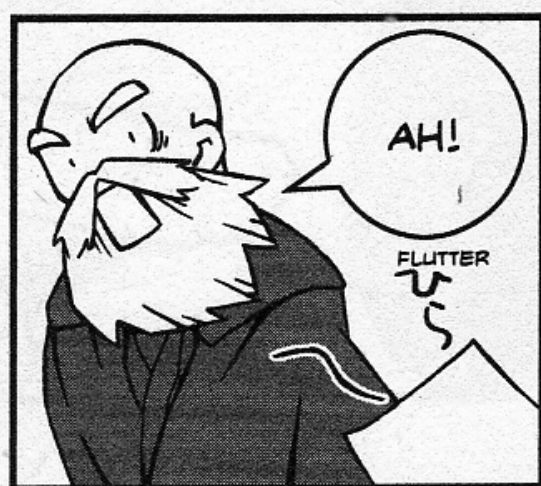
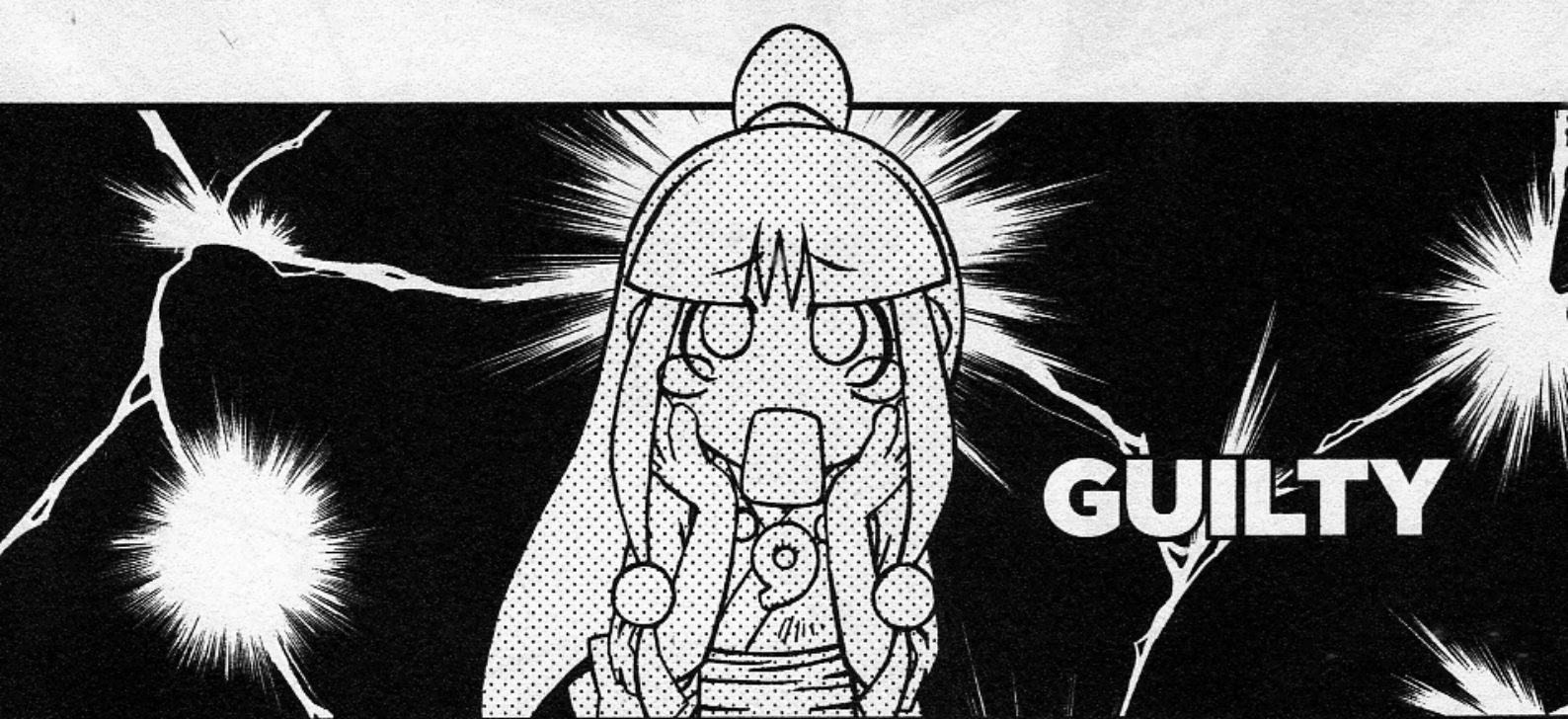


YOUR
VERDICT
!!!

YOUR HONOR!!!
PROLONGING
THIS TRIAL
FURTHER WOULD
BE A WASTE
OF TIME!!

Y...

YES!

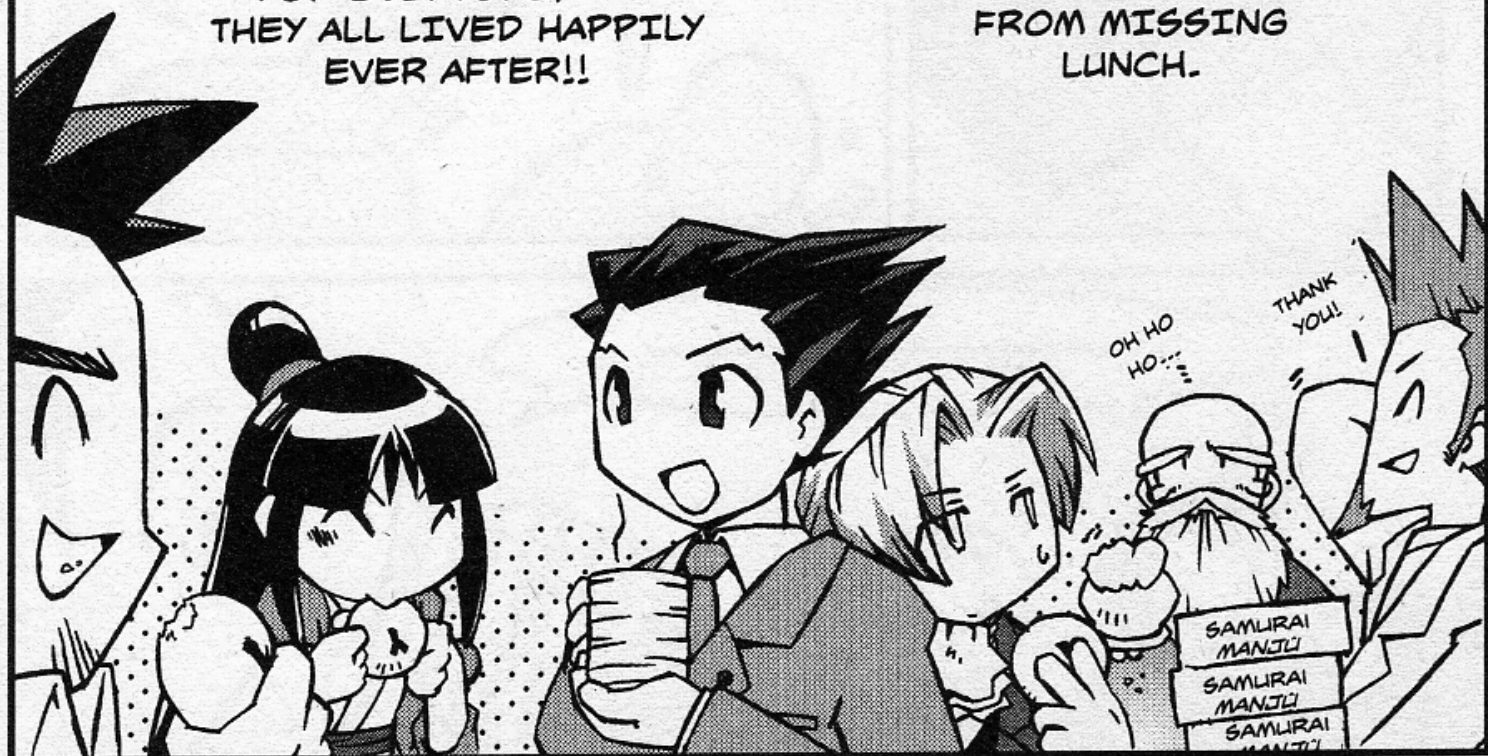


Objection!



BUT, AS AN APOLOGY, HE
BOUGHT SAMURAI MANJU
FOR EVERYONE, AND
THEY ALL LIVED HAPPILY
EVER AFTER!!

THE TRUE THIEF...
WAS THE JUDGE, WHO
HAD BEEN HUNGRY
FROM MISSING
LUNCH.



END

AND WRIGHT SAYS ONE THING TOO MANY



FEY & CO. CHANNELING OFFICES!?



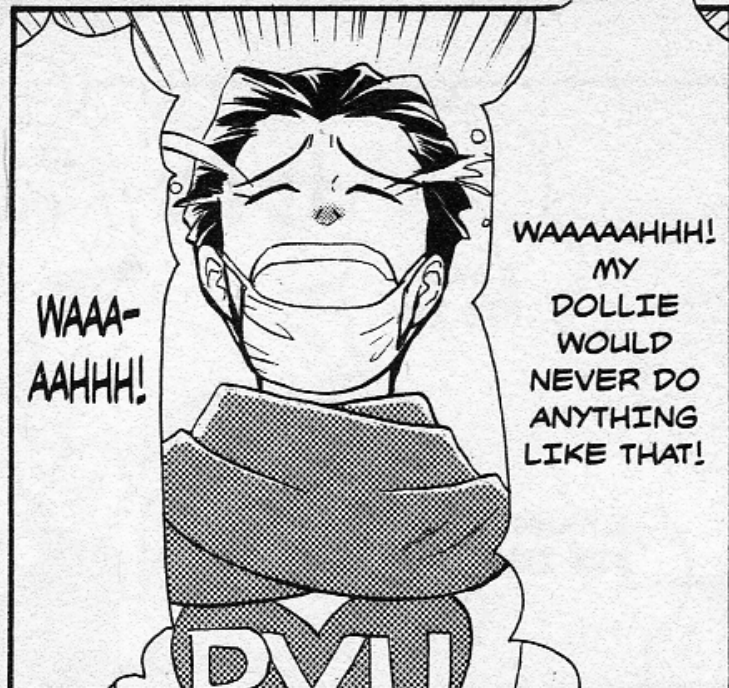


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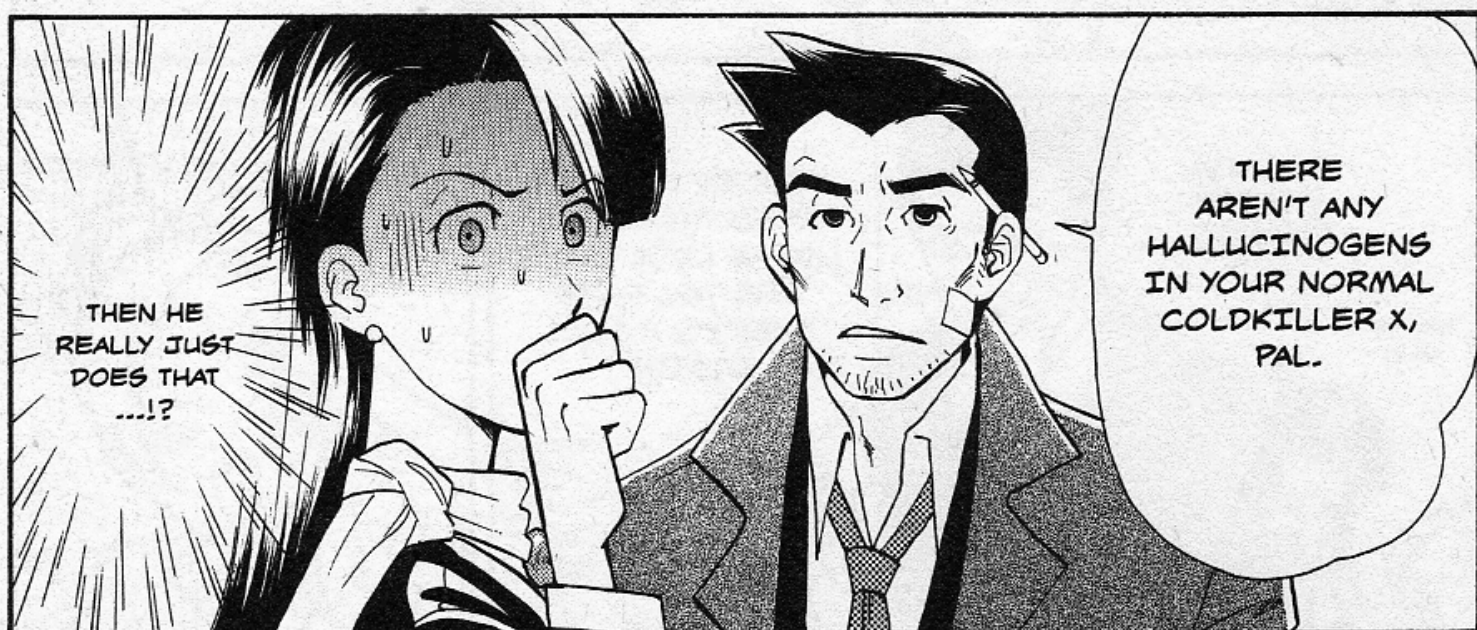


WHO IS THIS KID? WILL HE BE OKAY? I THOUGHT HE WAS A TWENTY-ONE-YEAR-OLD COLLEGE STUDENT.



WAAA-AAHHH!

WAAAAHHH! MY DOLLIE WOULD NEVER DO ANYTHING LIKE THAT!



THEN HE REALLY JUST DOES THAT ...!?

THERE AREN'T ANY HALLUCINOGENS IN YOUR NORMAL COLDKILLER X, PAL.



WHAAAAT?

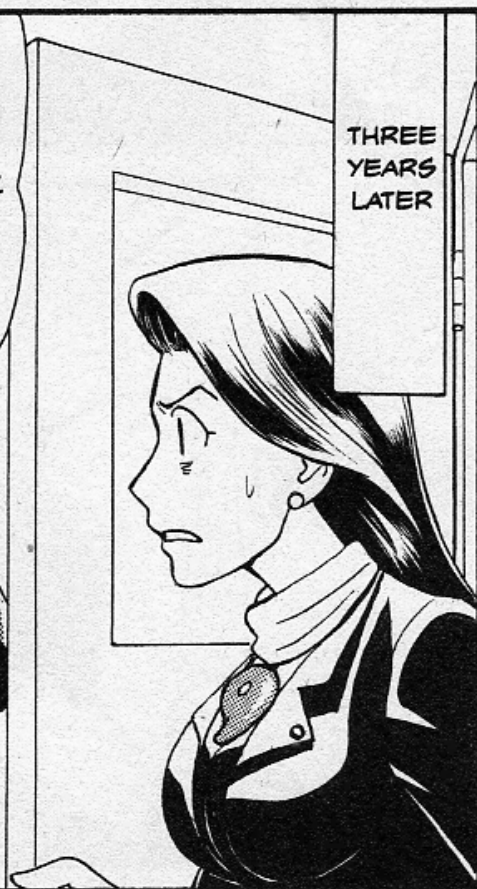
SLAM!

LAW OFFICES

SHE SLAMMED THE DOOR IN MY FACE...

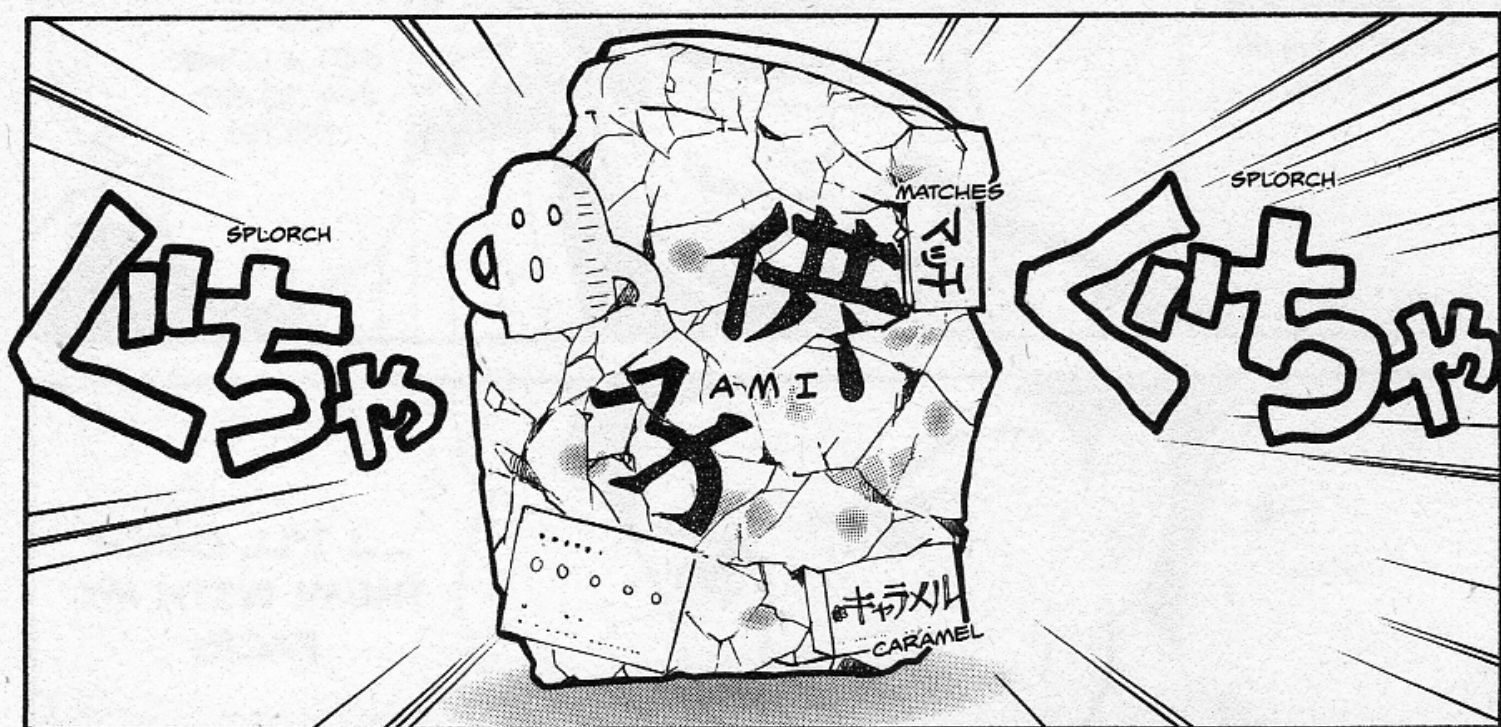
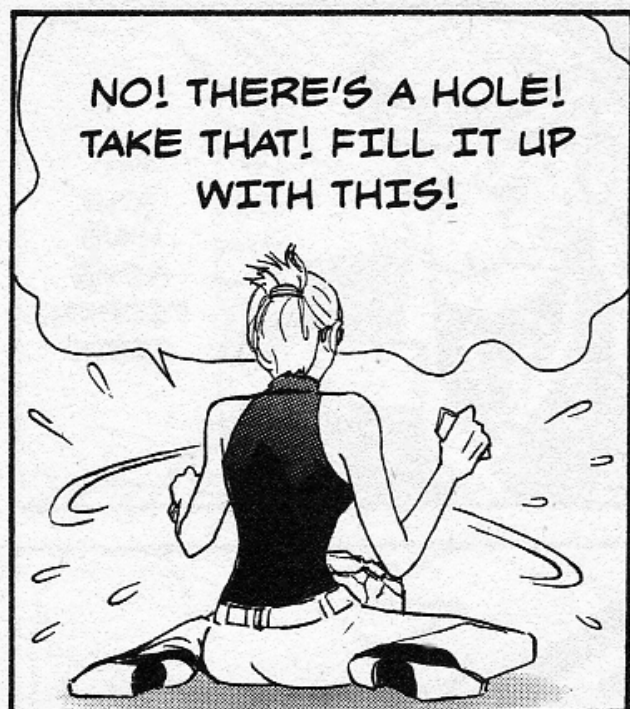


HELLO! I'LL BE STUDYING UNDER YOU STARTING TODAY. I'M PHOENI...



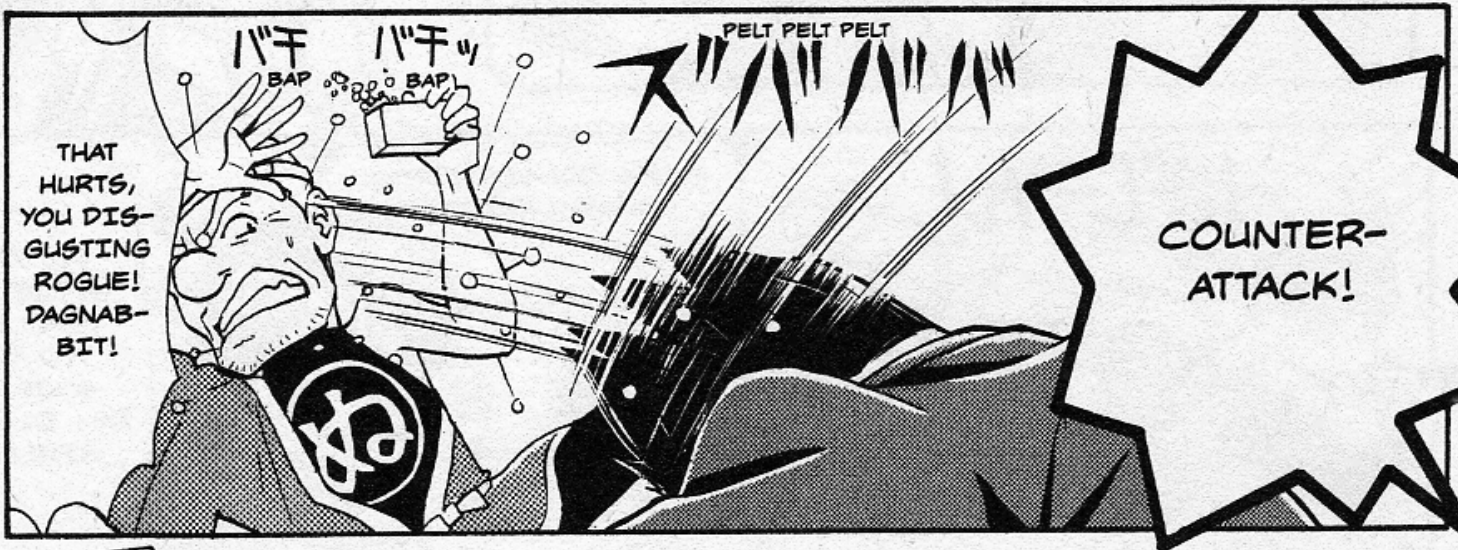
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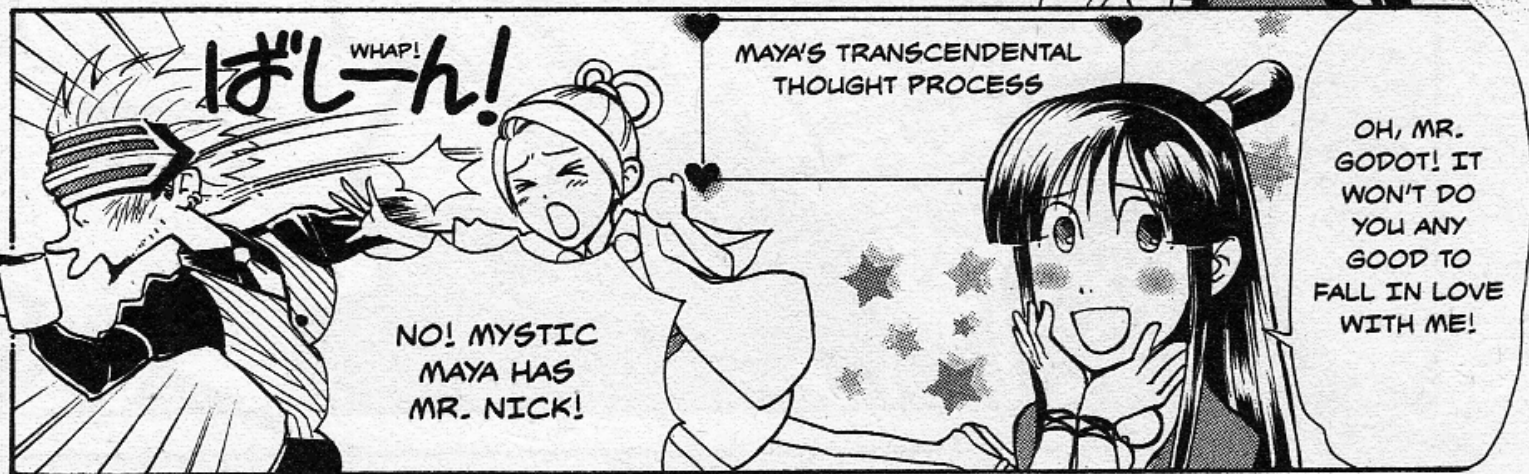
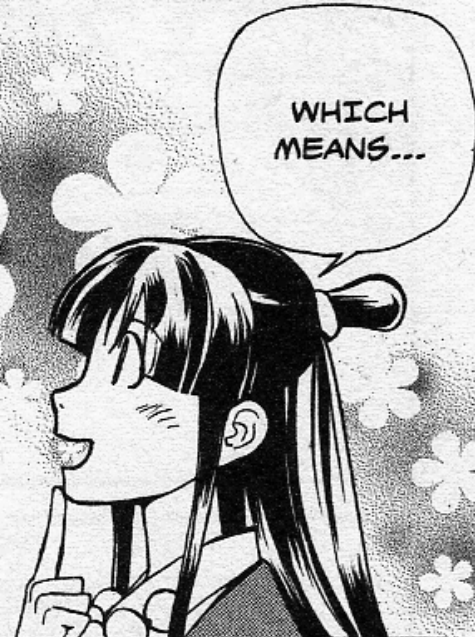
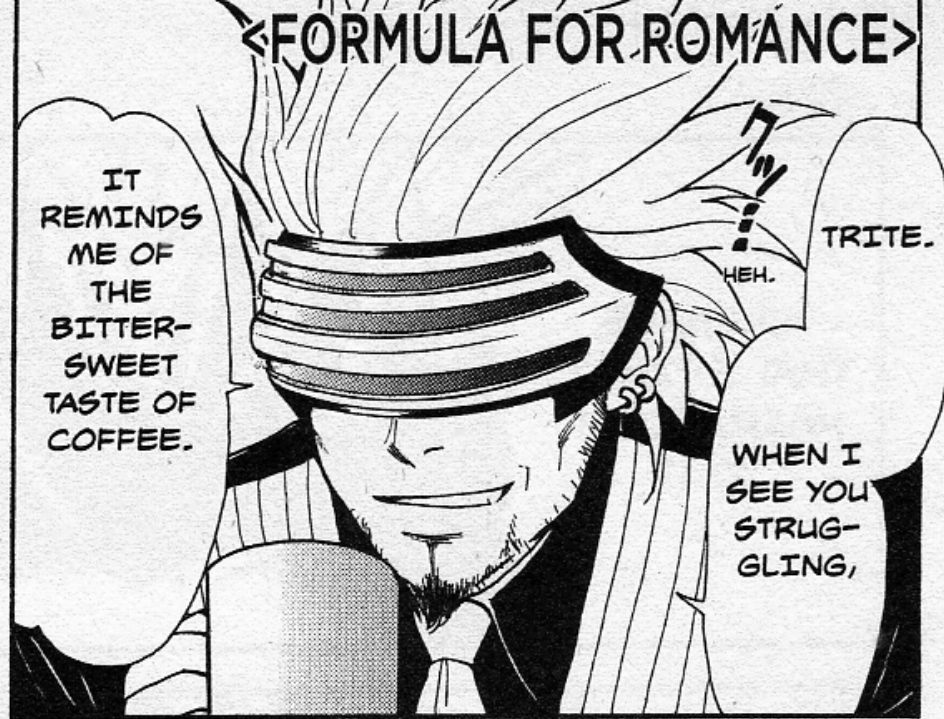


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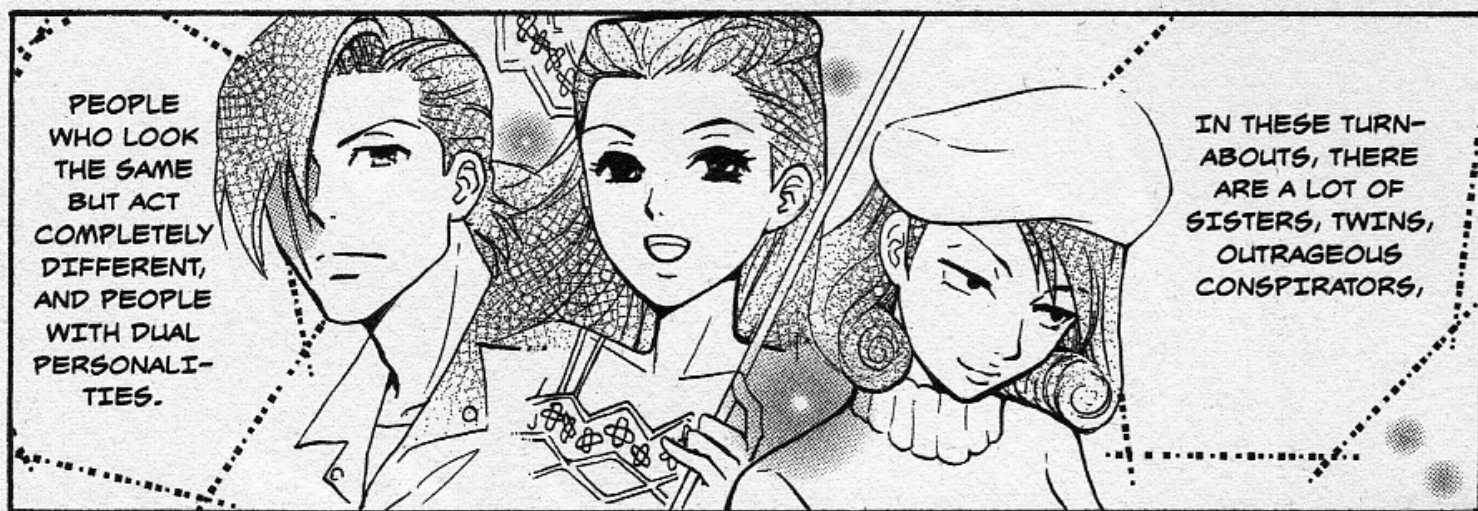




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<WHAT'S BOTHERING MIA>





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TURNABOUT BIG TURNAROUND BY SHINOSUKE

I'M
SORRY,
NICK.

THIS IS
GOODBYE.

MAYA?

WHAT?

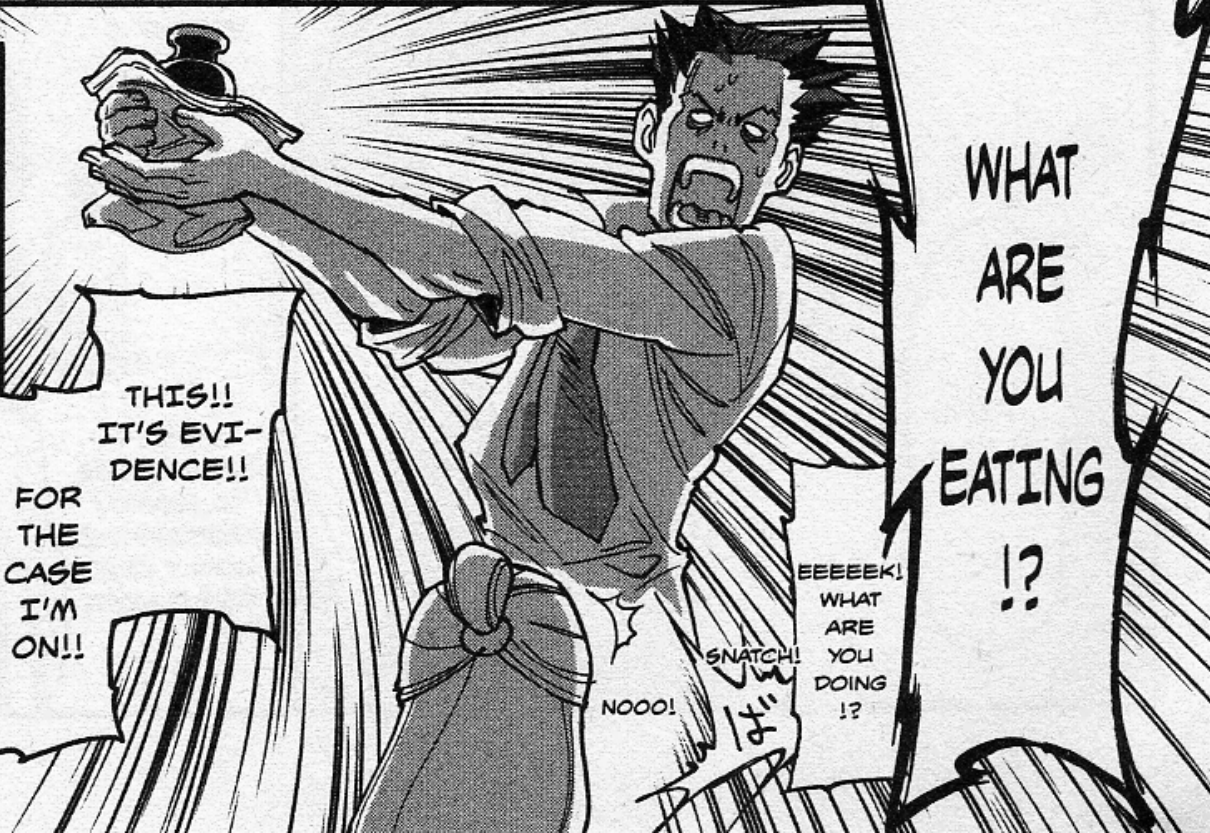
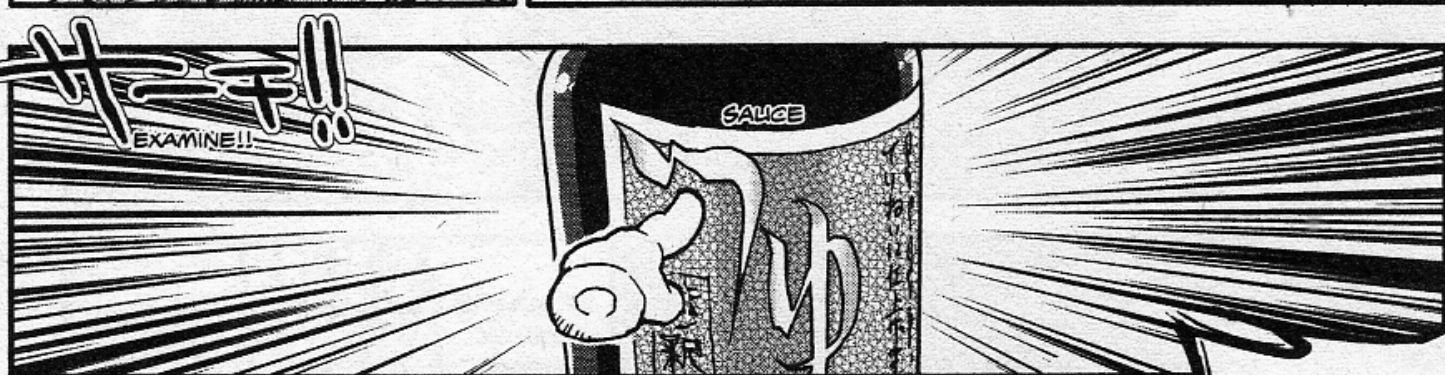
I'M ALWAYS,
ALWAYS JUST
DRAGGING
YOU DOWN.

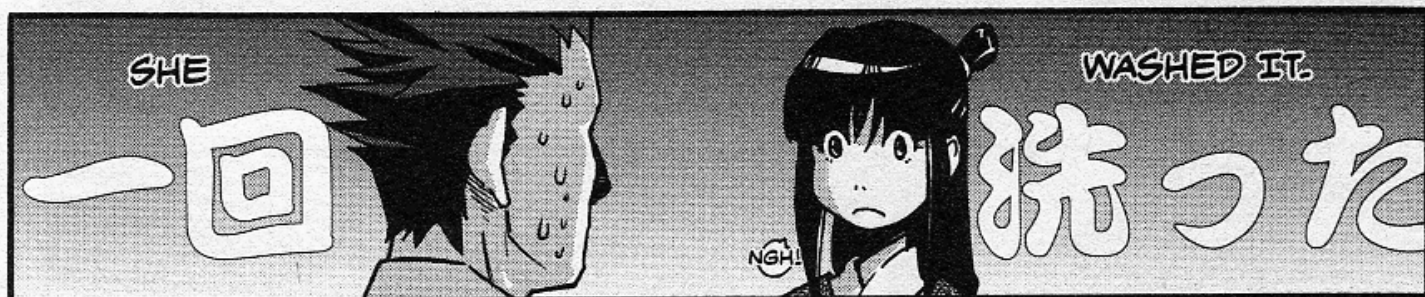
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MAYA!!

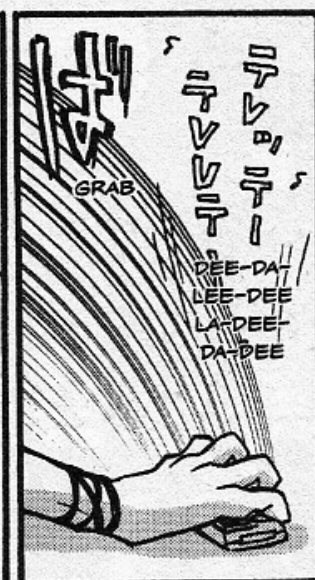
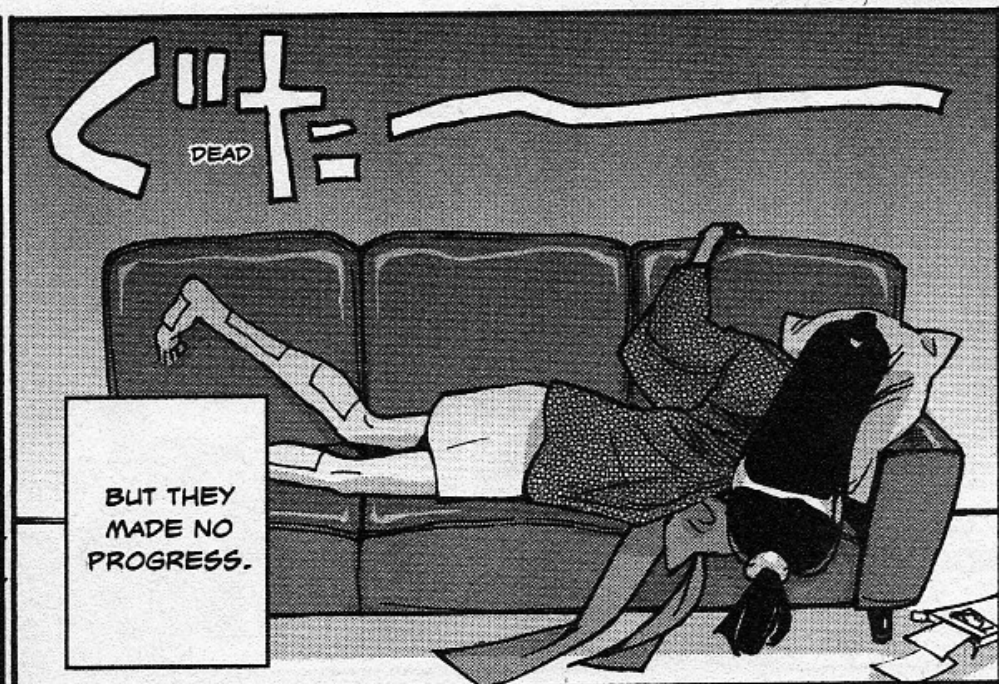
TAKE CARE
OF YOURSELF,
NICK.

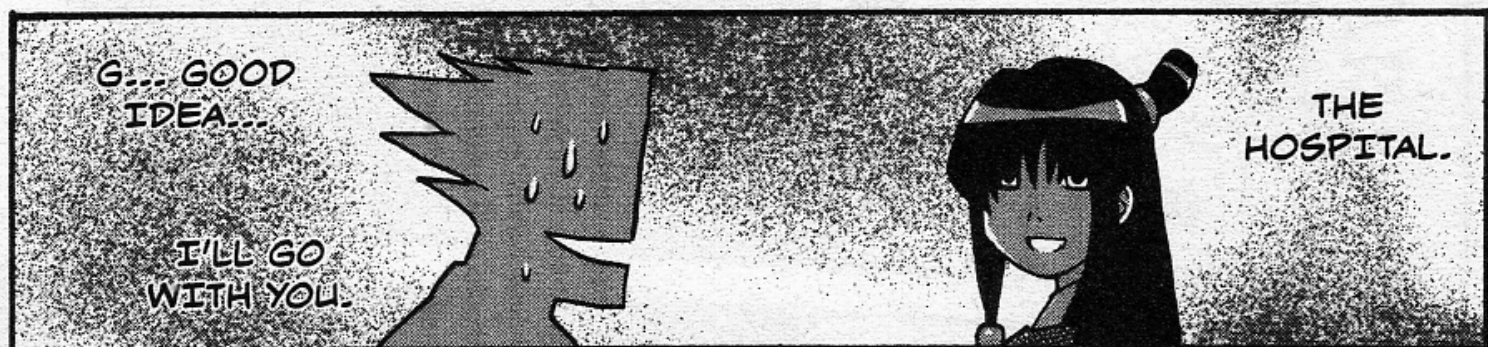
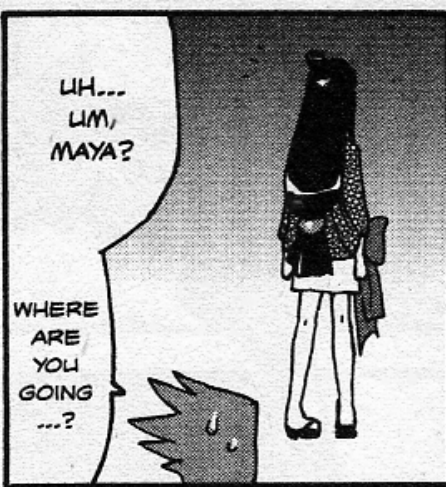












Objection!





WAIT
JUST
A
MIN-
UTE,
PAL!



HMM,
BUT...

THE POLICE
HAVE PREPARED
NEW EVIDENCE
TO PRESENT,
PAL!

PLEASE!

BUT EVEN
MORE
DISTURB-
ING...

MY EYES...
MY EYES
HAVE BEEN
POISONED
...

WHAT'S...
GOING
ON?

DETECTIVE
GUMSHOE
IS...!

YOUR
HONOR,
GIVE US
SOME
TIME!!

...OF
LOVE!!

IT'S THE
POWER...



"PEARLY,
PLEASE! I
NEED YOUR
HELP."

PEARLS
!?



"I WANT TO
HELP NICK..."



AND, AS WE
PERFORMED THE
MOST FORBIDDEN
OF FORBIDDEN
SECRET RITUALS,
SHE DIDN'T EAT
OR DRINK...

WHEN MYSTIC
MAYA CAME TO
THE VILLAGE
THREE DAYS
AGO, SHE SAID:



YOU CAN DEAL
WITH IT FOR A
LITTLE WHILE,
PAL.

I
REALLY DO
APPRECIATE
THE SENTI-
MENT,

BUT FOR THE
FINISHED
PRODUCT TO
BE SO REPUL-
SIVE...

IF THIS ISN'T
THE POWER OF
LOVE, WHAT
ELSE COULD
IT BE!!?

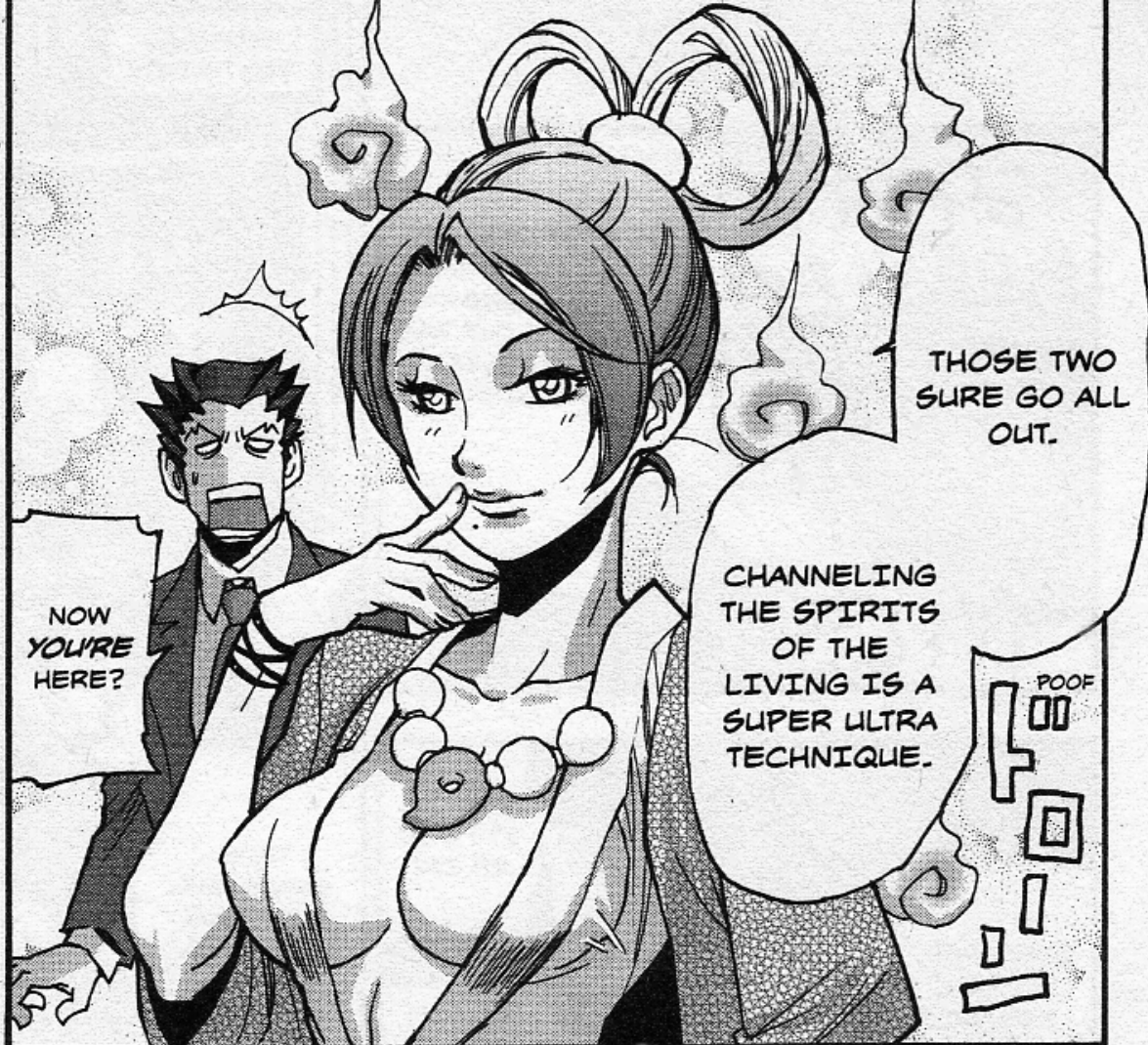
AND NOW
IT'S AS
YOU SEE
BEFORE
YOU!

TEE
HEE!



WHY DO YOU SOUND SO ANNOYED, PHOENIX? THAT'S PRETTY RUDE COMING FROM SOMEONE WHO ALWAYS LOOKS LIKE HE'S ON THE VERGE OF DEATH.

I'M SORRY.
I'M SORRY.



NOW YOU'RE HERE?

CHANNELING THE SPIRITS OF THE LIVING IS A SUPER ULTRA TECHNIQUE.

THOSE TWO SURE GO ALL OUT.

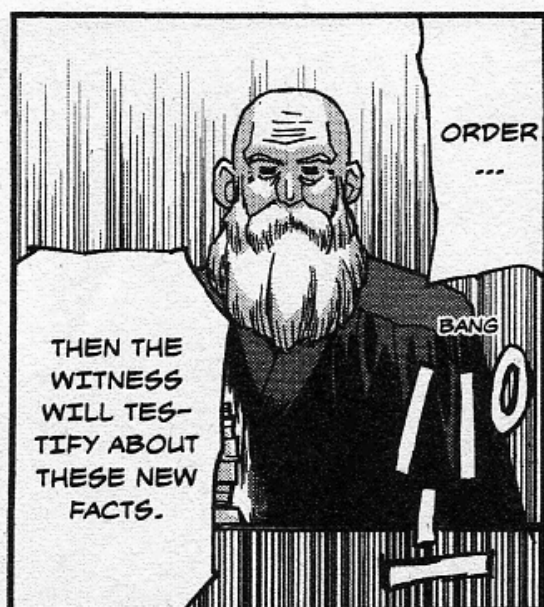
POOF



REALLY, I'M SORRY MY SISTER IS SUCH A FLAKE.

STICK WITH HER, OKAY?

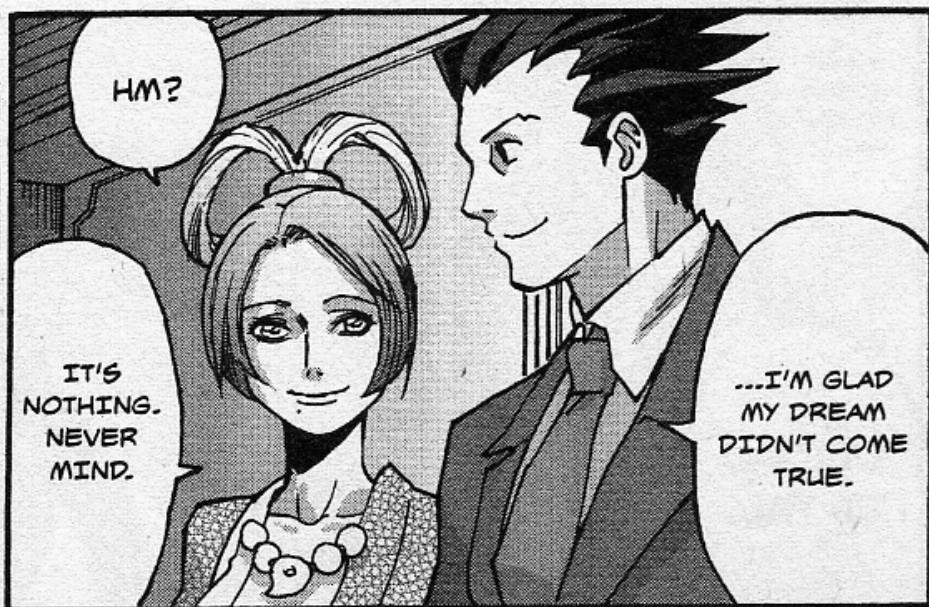
HEH 3-
HEH 3-



ORDER ...

THEN THE WITNESS WILL TESTIFY ABOUT THESE NEW FACTS.

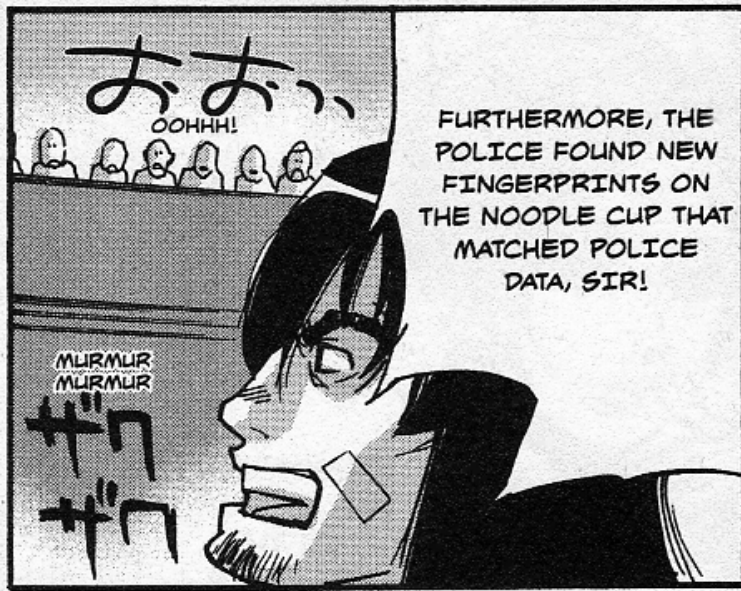
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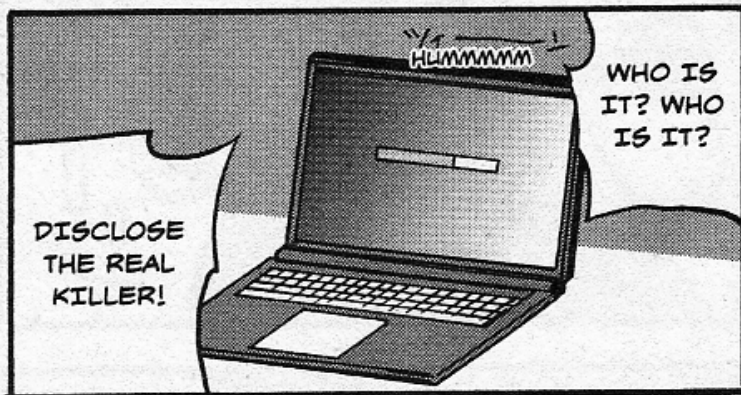
HM?

IT'S NOTHING. NEVER MIND.

...I'M GLAD MY DREAM DIDN'T COME TRUE.



FURTHERMORE, THE POLICE FOUND NEW FINGERPRINTS ON THE NOODLE CUP THAT MATCHED POLICE DATA, SIR!



DISCLOSE THE REAL KILLER!

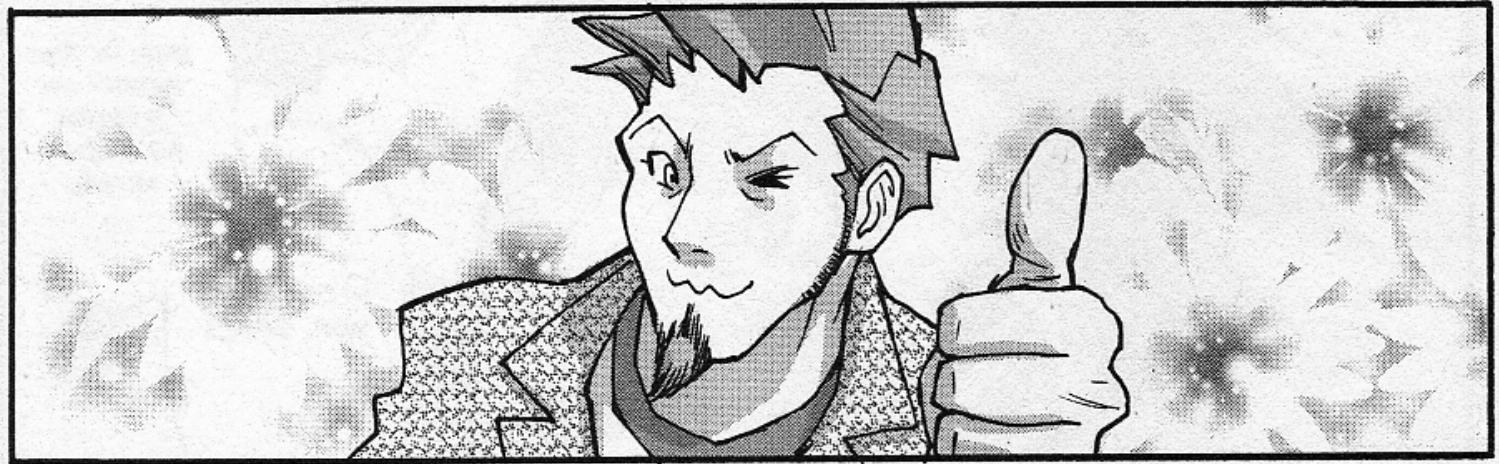
WHO IS IT? WHO IS IT?

WITNESS TESTIMONY



BASICALLY, THERE'S NO WAY SOMEONE REALLY INTENT ON GOING INTO THE NOODLE-MAKING INDUSTRY WOULD EVER USE STORE-BRAND SAUCE, SIR!

THIS SAUCE WAS EVIDENCE FORGED BY THE REAL KILLER!!



WHO'S GONNA DEFEND HIM...?

I KNOW IT'S GONNA BE A PAIN TO PROVE IT

THIS GUY'S INNOCENT.

I'LL DO IT, PAL.



UHH...

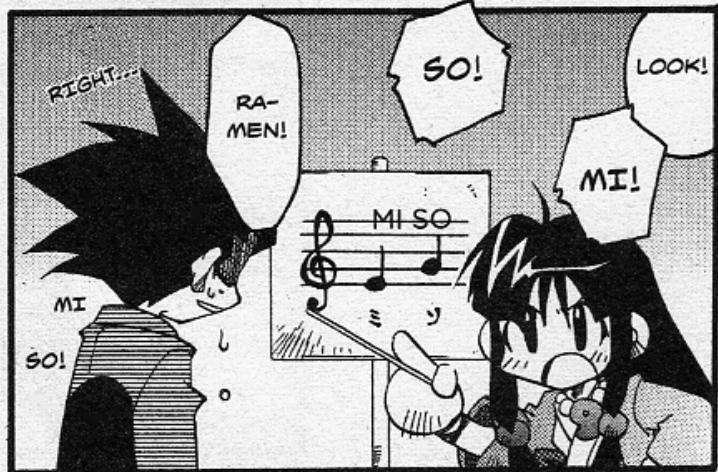
...AH...

END

LET'S TURN IT AROUND



MORE TO THE POINT



BY AKIRA KANÔ

HEAVY DRINKING



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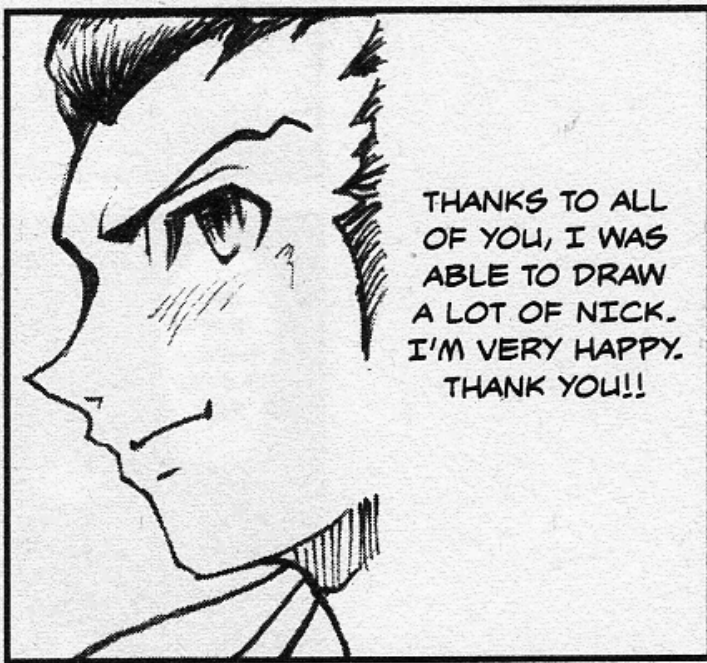
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KARUNA KANZAKI



SEVENTH GEAR

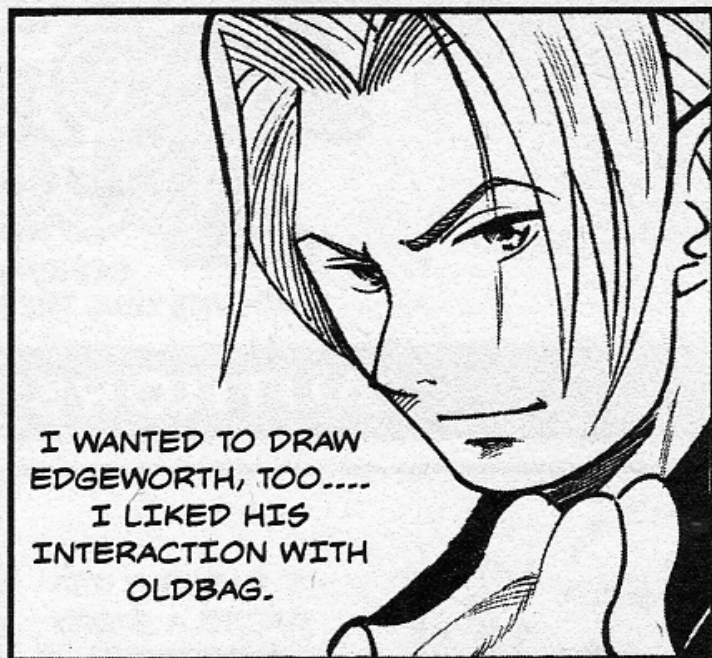


KEI NISEMURA



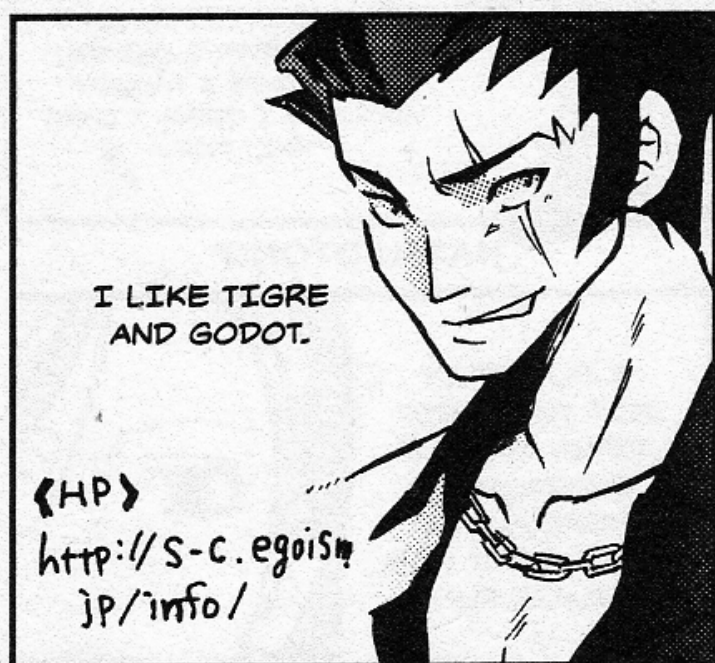
I LOVE THIS GAME, SO
I WAS REALLY HAPPY TO
BE ALLOWED TO DRAW
THIS MANGA! I LOVE
TEAM WRIGHT, AND
EDGEY AND DETECTIVE
GUMSHOE!!

TSUBAKI MIKAGE



I WANTED TO DRAW
EDGEWORTH, TOO....
I LIKED HIS
INTERACTION WITH
OLDBAG.

WATARU YAMASAKI



I LIKE TIGRE
AND GODOT.

《HP》
<http://s-c.egoism.jp/info/>

NARUZÔ



I THOUGHT I WOULD TAKE THIS
OPPORTUNITY TO BUY A DS
LITE, BUT I MISSED THE DEAD-
LINE TO RESERVE ONE FROM
EVERYWHERE. AND I WANTED
TO SEE PHOENIX SO CLEARLY, I
COULD MAKE OUT HIS PORES!

KANAME
UCHIMURA

KANAME UCHIMURA



THESE
CHARACTERS
ARE GREAT,
AREN'T THEY?
I CAN'T WAIT
FOR THE FOURTH
ONE!!

KIKUCHIYO ANKO



THIS ONE'S THE WRIGHT EDITION, SO I THOUGHT, "I
GET TO DRAW LOTS OF MAYA! WOHHOO!" BUT ONCE
I FINISHED, I REALIZED
SHE'S HARDLY IN IT AT
ALL. WHA?

I SAY THAT, BUT DRAW-
ING IT WAS HARDER
THAN I THOUGHT, SO
I THINK, IF I HAD
DRAWN A LOT OF
HER, I WOULD HAVE
CRIED. INCIDENTALLY,
THE HARDEST TO
DRAW WAS IRIS.

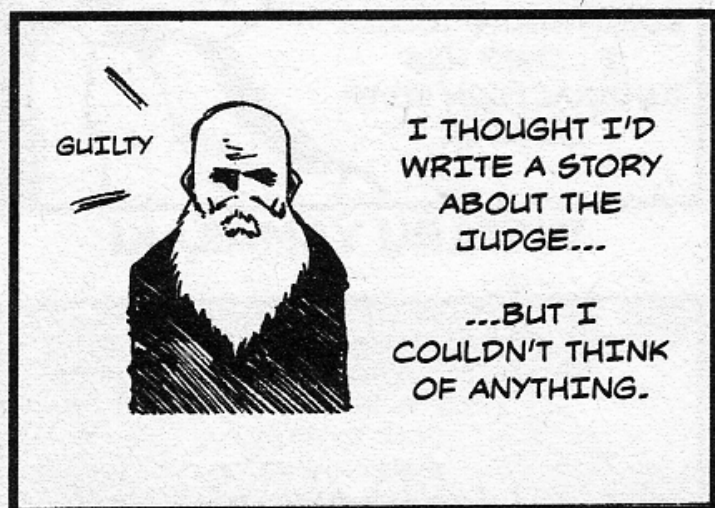
ON THE LEFT IS MY
SECOND FAVORITE
CHARACTER, BUT I
COULDN'T PUT HER
IN EVEN ONE FRAME
THIS TIME. I HAVE
A WEAKNESS FOR
CRYING WOMEN.

YÛYA KUROGAMI

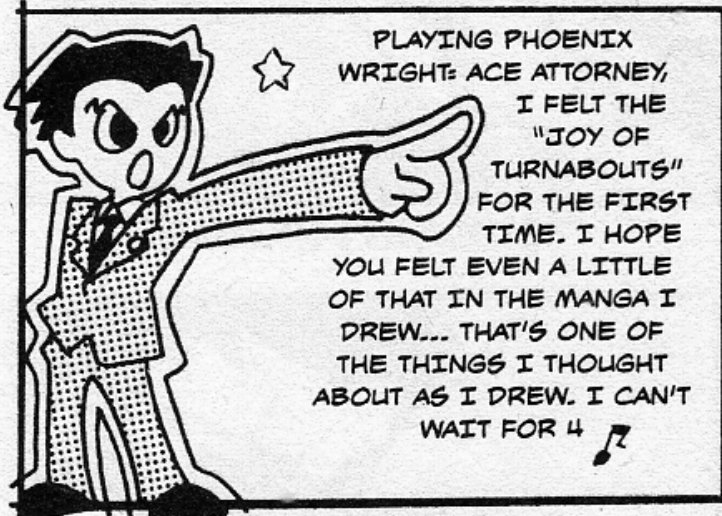
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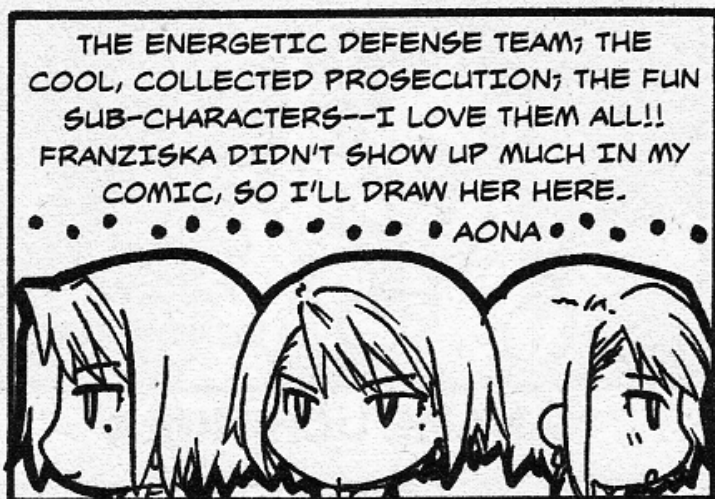
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KAORU OSADA



NATSU OTONO



MASAO AONA



DAIGO



TAMAKO YAMAUCHI



YOROZU

I THINK I
OVERDID
IT FOR
ONE BIT
(LOL), BUT
I HAD FUN
DRAWING
IT. THANK
YOU VERY
MUCH.



KIKUCHIYO ANKO

IT WAS FUN
DRAWING A LOT
OF PEARLY AND
MISSILE ♥



TOMO

I LOVE
EATING, TOO.

<http://tsukapon.post.to/>

TSUKAPON



TSUKAPON

IF A NEW
ONE COMES
OUT, I'LL BUY
A DS OR ANY-
THING ELSE I
HAVE TO!!

...EVEN THOUGH I HAVE
NO MONEY.

WATARU YAMASAKI



WATARU YAMASAKI

AT FIRST, I WANTED TO
HAVE HIM BE IN IT A LOT,
BUT BEFORE I KNEW IT,
HE HAD BECOME THE
PUNCHLINE. AND SOME-
WHERE ALONG THE WAY,
THE PROSECUTION DISAP-
PEARED, TOO... STILL,
NICK'S HAIR IS TOO HARD!
LET'S MEET AGAIN.

SHINOSUKE

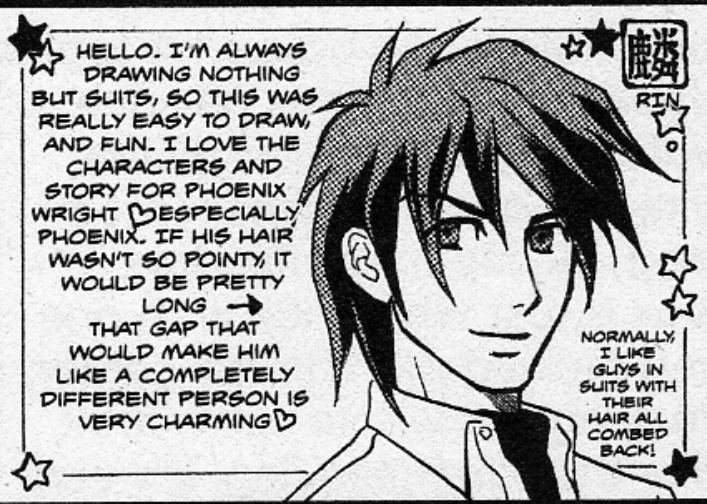


SHINOSUKE

HELLO. I'M ALWAYS
DRAWING NOTHING
BUT SUITS, SO THIS WAS
REALLY EASY TO DRAW,
AND FUN. I LOVE THE
CHARACTERS AND
STORY FOR PHOENIX
WRIGHT, ESPECIALLY
PHOENIX. IF HIS HAIR
WASN'T SO POINTY, IT
WOULD BE PRETTY
LONG →
THAT GAP THAT
WOULD MAKE HIM
LIKE A COMPLETELY
DIFFERENT PERSON IS
VERY CHARMING ♥

NORMALLY,
I LIKE
GUYS IN
SUITS WITH
HAIR ALL
COMBED
BACK!

RIN HASHIBA



IT'S A "MIRACLE"
BECAUSE IT HAPPENS.

...I DIDN'T GET TO DRAW
MUCH, BUT I LOVE MIA. THE
WHOLE TIME I WAS DRAWING,
I WANTED TO PLAY 3, BUT IT
COULDN'T BE HELPED. THIS
HAS BEEN SHIMANDA!!

KIYONO SHIMANDA



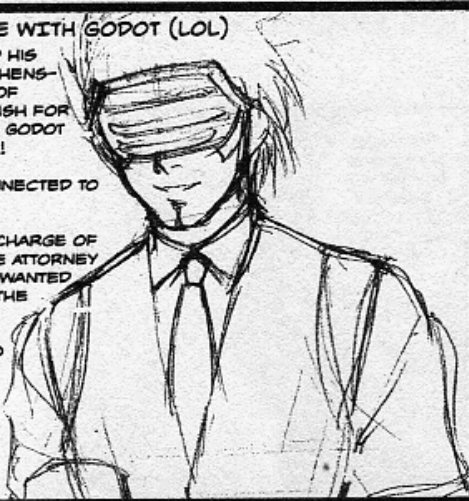
ANYWAY, I'M IN LOVE WITH GODOT (LOL)
THAT RUGGED VOICE, AND HIS
MISDIRECTED, INCOMPREHENS-
IBLE LINES... HE'S FULL OF
MASCULINE CHARM!! I WISH FOR
NOTHING MORE THAN MR. GODOT
TO BE IN THE NEW GAME!!

(WILL IT BE CLOSELY CONNECTED TO
THE PREVIOUS GAME!?)

THIS TIME, I WAS PUT IN CHARGE OF
THE PHOENIX WRIGHT ACE ATTORNEY
FOUR-FRAME COMICS. I WANTED
TO HAVE LOTS MORE OF THE
CHARMING CHARACTERS
SHOW UP! IF THERE'S
ANOTHER ONE, I WANT TO
TRY DOING A STORY
COMIC.

AIRA KANÔ

AIRA KANÔ

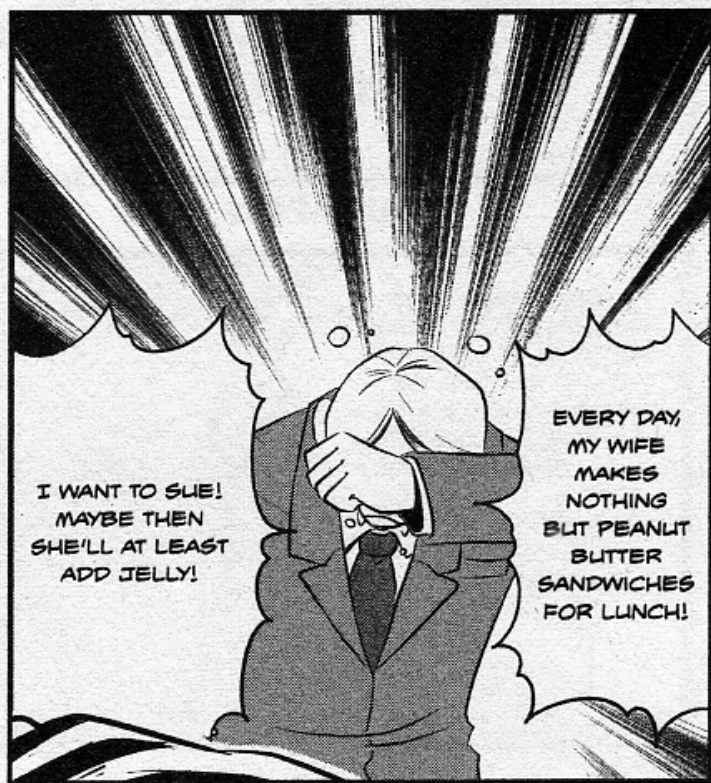


TRANSLATION NOTES

Del Rey Manga's editors have made every effort to capture the spirit and feeling of the Phoenix Wright video game for the benefit of the game's many fans. Although the game originated in Japan, its worldwide appeal led to a U.S. release—and some changes were made to the game's character names and cultural references to reach American fans. For a closer match with the game, we've followed the game adapters' choice to localize many of the original Japanese references. But for the entertainment and edification of curious readers, here's some insight into the original Japanese.

Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, page 47

In the original Japanese, this man was complaining that his wife always made him "Japanese flag lunch boxes." A typical Japanese lunch box has rice with some other side dishes, like fish or *tamagoyaki* (fried egg). A Japanese flag lunch box is just white rice with one red pickled plum in the center, making the whole lunch look like the Japanese flag. It's very simple to make but plain and not especially tasty.

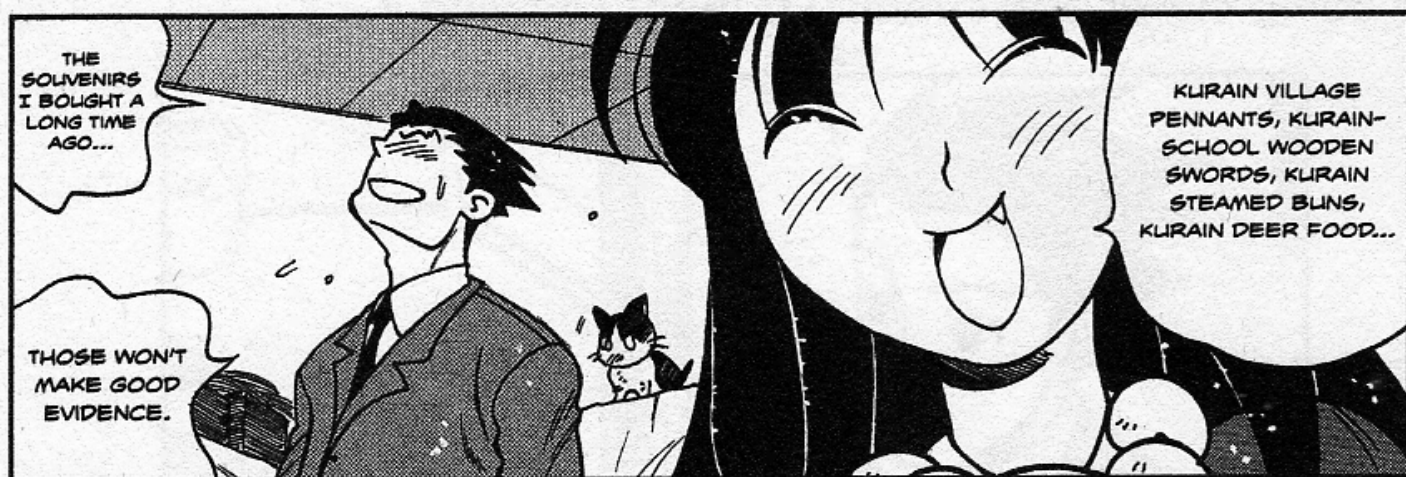


Cherry blossoms, page 58

Cherry blossoms, or *sakura*, are a popular symbol of Japan and are even represented on Japanese currency. The trees are also excellent for making promises under.

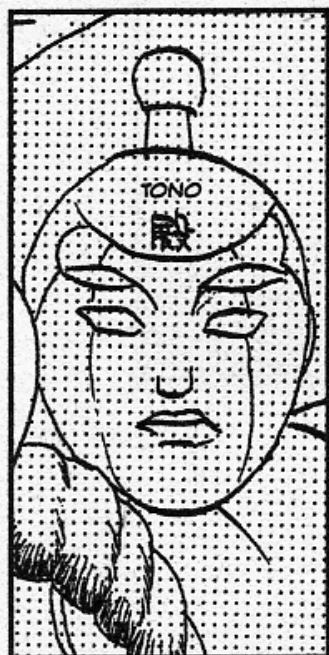
Manjû, page 80

Manjû are steamed yeast buns with filling, such as red bean paste.



Cookies, page 105

In the Japanese edition, Larry's latest crazy business venture was actually Samurai Senbei. *Senbei* are Japanese rice crackers. Most likely, Larry is going to make them in the shape of the Steel Samurai and other characters from that popular TV show's universe.



Tono, page 114

The Chinese character on the Steel Samurai's forehead is "*tono*." Feudal lords in Edo, or Old Tokyo, were called *tono*, so this character would represent the Steel Samurai's authority.

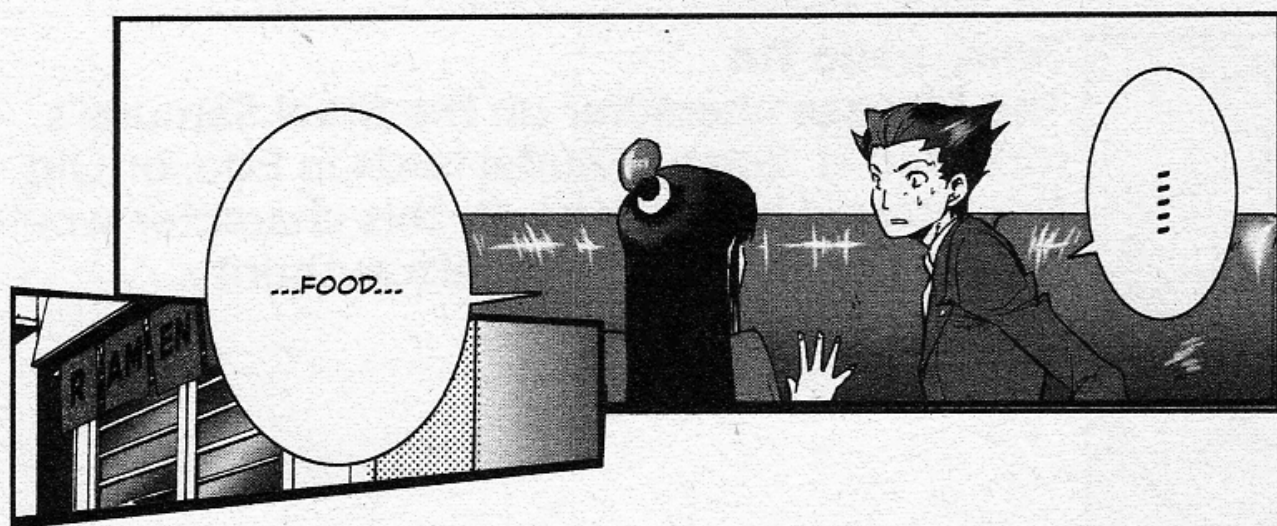
Ponkichi's Big Adventure, page 116

Ponkichi is a *tanuki*, or Japanese raccoon dog. *Tanuki* are known for being clever and cunning but not showing it.



Ramen, page 120

Ramen noodles originated in China but have become a common dish in Japan. In America, when we hear "ramen" we usually think "instant noodles," but in Japan, a ramen shop is about as common as a burger joint. In the American version of the game, Maya's a burger fanatic, but for her Japanese fans, Maya's favorite food is miso-flavored ramen.



Maya's sneeze, page 140

In Japanese culture, it is believed that when you sneeze, there's a strong possibility that it is because someone is talking about you.



Rickshaw, page 212

A person-drawn cart.

